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## FORTY-SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE  
TOWN OF SWAMPSCOTT, MASS.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 1898.

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## Elected Town Officers.

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### *Moderator.*

JOHN R. MERRITT.

### *Selectmen.*

WILMOT R. HASTINGS, Chairman.

JAMES H. MOULTON.

GEORGE T. MELZARD.

### *Town Clerk.*

GEORGE T. TILL.

### *Treasurer.*

BENJAMIN O. HONORS.

### *Collector of Taxes.*

MICHAEL P. CARROLL.

### *Auditors.*

JAY C. MERRITT, Chairman.

EDWARD A. MAXFIELD, Secretary.

HERMAN F. ASHTON.

### *Assessors.*

Term ends

GILBERT DELANO, 1898.

Term ends

D. HOLMAN MILLETT, 1899.

Term ends

PELEG GARDNER, 1900.

*School Committee.*

Term ends

EDWIN M. BAILEY, 1898.

Term ends

ELDRIDGE F. SMALL, 1899.

Term ends

FRANK E. INGALLS, 1900.

*Public Library Trustees.*

Term ends

FRANK F. STANLEY, 1898.

Term ends

FRANK E. INGALLS, 1899.

Term ends

JAMES E. PEASLEY, 1900.

*Park Commissioners.*

Term ends

ROBERT B. WARDWELL, 1898.

Term ends

BENJAMIN POTTER, 1899.

Term ends

EDWARD H. KITFIELD, 1900.

*Overseers of the Poor.*

Term ends

JOSEPH F. CROWELL, 1898.

Term ends

T. B. P. CURTIS, 1899.

Term ends

MICHAEL P. CARROLL, 1900.

*Board of Health.*

Term ends

JOHN I. ADAMS, 1898.

Term ends

EDWIN F. WILEY, 1899.

Term ends

WILLIS E. DOUGHTY, 1900.

*Surveyor of Highways.*

JAMES P. M. S. PITMAN.

*Constables.*

SAMUEL T. HARRIS.

RICHARD G. GILLEY.

JEFFERSON G. OWENS.

## Appointed Town Officers.

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*Secretary of Selectmen.*

GEORGE T. TILL.

*Town Counsel.*

NILES & CARR.

*Librarian of Public Library.*

MISS S. L. HONORS.

*Assistant Librarians.*

HOWARD G. ELLIS.

ROY E. CRANE.

EDITH FARNUM.

*Engineers of Fire Department.*

E. GERRY EMMONS, Chief.

JOHN E. MELZARD.

FRANK H. BASSETT.

*Town Forester. •*

J. P. M. S. PITMAN.

*Regular Police.*

SETH C. KENDRICK, Chief.

JOHN C. WHORF.

ADELBERT S. HAMMOND.

CHARLES A. DUNLAP.

JOHN B. CROWELL.



*Superintendent of Cemetery.*

NATHAN M. HARRIS.

*Superintendent of Burial of Deceased Soldiers and Sailors.*

JOHN I. ADAMS.

*Care of Monument Lot.*

JOSEPH W. GLASS.

*Inspector of Provisions, and Animals intended for Slaughter  
or kept for production of Milk.*

GEORGE NEWHALL.

*Milk Inspector.*

CHARLES E. HARRIS.

*Field Driver.*

JAMES K. CARROLL.

*Pound Keeper.*

JEFFERSON G. OWENS.

*Town Weigher.*

THEOPHILUS W. BRACKETT.

*Fence Viewers.*

GILBERT DELANO.

PELEG GARDNER.

*Surveyor of Lumber and Measurer of Wood and Bark.*

FRED H. EASTMAN.

*Sealer of Weights and Measures.*

GEORGE W. HARRIS.

*Bell Ringer and Flag Raiser.*

JOSEPH W. GLASS.

*Secretary of the Overseers of the Poor.*

MRS. L. E. KENDRICK.

*Secretary of Board of Health.*

WILBUR B. ADAMS.

*Agent of Town Hall.*

GEORGE T. TILL.

*Janitor of Town Hall.*

JAMES A. MOTT.

*Registrars of Voters.*

Term ends

J. WILLIAM THURSTON, 1898.

Term ends

ERNEST B. THING, 1899.

Term ends

DAVID W. NISBETT, 1900.

GEORGE T. TILL.

(Ex-officio.)

*Inspectors Election, March 15, 1897.*

BENJAMIN F. RICH.

Republican.

ANDREW OLSEN.

Democrat.

*Tellers of Election, March 15, 1897.*

GEORGE W. CORSON.

FRANK V. PORTER.

WILLARD M. HATCH.

EDMUND RUSSELL.

H. BYRON MARTIN.

SIDNEY M. SHATTUCK.

OSCAR F. MORRIS.

FRANK D. THURSTON.

*Inspectors Election, November 2, 1897.*

BENJAMIN F. RICH.

JAMES T. LYONS.

FRANK H. BRADFORD, D. Insp.

H. BYRON MARTIN, D. Insp.

Republican.

*Tellers of Election, November 2, 1897.*

CHARLES T. JACKSON.  
FRANK V. PORTER.  
JOHN G. STANLEY.  
EDGAR M. TUTTLE.  
Republican.

OSCAR F. MORRIS.  
EDWARD H. THOMAS.  
ANDREW OLSEN.  
ABRAM G. STONE.  
Democrat.

*Constables.*

SETH C. KENDRICK.  
JOHN C. WHORF.

CHARLES H. DUNLAP.  
ADELBERT C. HAMMOND.

*Keeper of Lockup.*

SETH C. KENDRICK.

*Special Police.*

RICHARD G. GILLEY.  
MICHAEL HALEY.  
GEORGE R. HUSSEY.  
JAMES A. MOTT.  
T. FRANK WIDGER.  
J. P. M. S. PITMAN.  
JOSEPH W. GLASS.  
JEFFERSON G. OWENS.  
WILLIAM D. HUTT.  
CHARLES S. LEWIS.  
JOSEPH D. SPINNEY.  
GEORGE NEWHALL.  
JOHN T. BIRD.

MELVIN W. BURDETTE.  
RODNEY A. DOUGLASS.  
SILAS B. CARR.  
L. W. PICKARD.  
DANIEL J. KANE.  
THOMAS THUMITH.  
JAMES W. BURNETTE.  
GEORGE M. CONNOR.  
ALLEN F. HOLBROOK.  
LEWIS F. AMAZEEN.  
GEORGE H. REED.  
SAMUEL D. EATON.  
WILLIAM H. OXTON.

ANGUS SUTHERLAND.

## Standing Committees.

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### *Committee on Street Light.*

AARON R. BUNTING.

EDWIN A. FARNHAM.

JOHN R. MERRITT.

MARTIN L. QUINN.

FRANK L. BONNEY.

### *Committee on Assessors' Map.*

JOHN CHAPMAN.

\*DANIEL P. STIMPSON.

D. HOLMAN MILLETT.

\*Deceased.

### *Committee on Future Water Supply.*

ELDRIDGE F. SMALL.

ARTHUR F. FOSTER.

AARON R. BUNTING.

MARTIN E. NIES.

EDWARD H. KITFIELD.

PELEG GARDNER.

GEORGE ALBREE.

WILMOT R. HASTINGS.

JAMES H. MOULTON.

GEORGE T. MELZARD.

### *Committee on Sewerage.*

FRANK E. INGALLS.

EDMUND RUSSELL.

EDWARD H. KITFIELD.

PELEG GARDNER

KENDALL POLLARD.

ANDREW L. HARRIS.

AARON R. BUNTING.

ISAAC H. ANDREWS.

D. HOLMAN MILLETT.

ROBERT B. WARDWELL.

H. CUSHING BULFINCH.

BENJAMIN P. POTTER.

ELDRIDGE F. SMALL.

JAMES H. MOULTON.

EBEN N. WARDWELL.

EDWIN A. FARNHAM.

## Special Committee.

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### *Committee to Purchase Land for Cemetery.*

JAMES H. MOULTON.  
WILMOT R. HASTINGS.  
D. HOLMAN MILLETT.

GEORGE T. MELZARD.  
PELEG GARDNER.  
GILBERT DELANO.

## Schedule of Public Property.

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Town Hall and land . . . . .	\$14,000 00	
Proctor lot . . . . .	3,000 00	
Aqueduct pipes . . . . .	50,000 00	
Public Library . . . . .	5,000 00	
Soldiers' Monument . . . . .	3,000 00	
Hay Scales . . . . .	200 00	
Portable safe . . . . .	200 00	
Steel box . . . . .	25 00	
Piano . . . . .	75 00	
Standard weights and measures . . . .	100 00	
Treasurer's safe . . . . .	20 00	
Town Clerk's safe . . . . .	75 00	
	<hr style="width: 10%; display: inline-block; vertical-align: bottom;"/>	\$75,695 00

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## SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

Phillips School and land . . . . .	\$57,000 00	
Redington Street School and land . . .	5,000 00	
Beach School and land . . . . .	4,000 00	
Pine Street School and land . . . . .	4,500 00	
Essex Street School and land . . . . .	4,000 00	
Farm School and land . . . . .	2,000 00	
Land Essex Street, opposite Cemetery .	300 00	
Chemical Laboratory . . . . .	1,900 00	
Laboratory supplies . . . . .	400 00	
School furniture . . . . .	2,300 00	
School supplies . . . . .	800 00	
	<hr style="width: 10%; display: inline-block; vertical-align: bottom;"/>	\$82,200 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$157,895 00

*Amount brought forward,*

\$157,895 00

## CEMETERY DEPARTMENT.

Receiving tomb . . . . .	\$2,000 00
Superintendent's building . . . . .	500 00
Implements . . . . .	43 50

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 \$2,543 50

## POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Eight revolvers . . . . .	\$32 00
Twenty-nine badges . . . . .	30 00
Nine handcuffs . . . . .	29 00
Nine twisters . . . . .	9 00
Ten billies . . . . .	10 00
Fifteen helmets . . . . .	25 00
Six whistles . . . . .	1 00
One lantern . . . . .	1 00
One gun . . . . .	20 00
One cap . . . . .	3 50
Six belts . . . . .	7 50
Two hundred sixty-five buttons . . . . .	12 50

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 \$180 50

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

Stone crusher plant . . . . .	\$2,500 00
Gravel bank, Marblehead . . . . .	500 00
Storage building, New Ocean Street . . . . .	400 00
Land with same . . . . .	400 00
Street watering cart . . . . .	408 00
Victor road machine . . . . .	150 00
Five snow ploughs . . . . .	156 00
Tool house . . . . .	25 00

*Amounts carried forward,*


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 \$4,539 00
 

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 \$160,619 00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$4,539 00	\$160,619 00
Tool box . . . . .	6 00	
Two sets double harness . . . . .	87 00	
Two sets lead harnesses . . . . .	21 00	
One cart harness . . . . .	15 00	
Five horse collars . . . . .	15 00	
One four-wheel tip-cart . . . . .	156 00	
One horse tip-cart . . . . .	70 00	
One two-horse roller . . . . .	225 00	
Four street hoses . . . . .	2 00	
Four rakes . . . . .	1 60	
Six drag rakes . . . . .	3 00	
Twenty snow shovels . . . . .	10 00	
Four crow-bars . . . . .	4 00	
Twenty-two shovels . . . . .	11 00	
Two mattocks . . . . .	5 00	
Five hammers . . . . .	7 00	
Six stone points . . . . .	1 00	
Ten hand drills . . . . .	2 60	
Two frost-wedges . . . . .	8 00	
Twenty-four picks . . . . .	24 00	
Three pounders . . . . .	3 00	
One wheelbarrow . . . . .	2 50	
Three sand pails . . . . .	45	
Four sand scoops . . . . .	60	
One tamping bar . . . . .	1 00	
Ten lanterns . . . . .	5 00	
One hundred feet hose . . . . .	9 00	
One gravel screen . . . . .	6 00	
Two brush hooks . . . . .	1 50	
One bush scythe . . . . .	1 50	
One axe . . . . .	1 00	
One steel rammer . . . . .	6 75	
One dirt rammer . . . . .	3 00	
One S. S. pump and hose . . . . .	43 00	
One 37-ft. extension ladder . . . . .	11 00	
		\$5,308 50

*Amount Carried forward,*

\$165,927 50



*Amount brought forward,*

\$165,927 50

**FIRE DEPARTMENT.**

Engine house . . . . .	\$5,750 00
Land and storage buildings . . . . .	1,500 00
Land and hose house, Mountain Park . . . . .	500 00
Steam fire engine . . . . .	2,500 00
Hose wagon . . . . .	450 00
2,500 feet cotton hose, .50 . . . . .	1,250 00
600 feet cotton hose, damaged, .25 . . . . .	150 00

Ladder truck . . . . .	} 350 00
{ 2 crow-bars, 9 ladders, hose straps,	
{ 6 coal baskets, 6 hydrant wrenches . . . . .	
One 30-ft. ladder . . . . .	
Two 25-ft. ladders . . . . .	
One 22-ft. ladder . . . . .	
One 20-ft. ladder . . . . .	
Two 17-ft. ladders . . . . .	
One 10-ft. ladder . . . . .	
One 50-ft. extension ladder . . . . .	
Four fire hooks and poles . . . . .	} 75 00
Two axes . . . . .	
Supply wagon . . . . .	75 00

*Amounts Carried forward,*

\$12,525 00 \$165,927 50

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>		\$12,525 00	\$165,927 50
LOCATION OF HOSE REELS.	Hose reel and 300 feet hose, wrench and spanners, John Shepard's, Atlantic Avenue . . . . .	200 00	
	Hose reel and 300 feet hose, wrench and spanners, John Palmer's stable, Humphrey Street . . . . .	200 00	
	Hose reel and 300 feet hose, wrench and spanners, Lynn & Boston R.R. stable, Essex Street . . . . .	200 00	
	Hose reel and 400 feet hose, wrench, axe and spanners, Mountain Park .	225 00	
	200 feet hose, wrench and spanners, Lincoln House . . . . .	100 00	
	250 feet hose, wrench and spanners, Evans & Cole's stable, Orient Street	125 00	
	Fire alarm bell, Town Hall . . . . .	800 00	
	Eighteen fire alarm boxes . . . . .	900 00	
	Two fire alarm strikers, Town Hall and Congregational Church . . . . .	550 00	
	Two fire alarm strikers, engine house .	65 00	
	Two gongs, engine house and chemical house . . . . .	85 00	
	Three tappers, engine house . . . . .	35 00	
	Two hand chemicals on hose wagon . .	50 00	
	Two steam whistles, Marblehead Water Co. . . . .	50 00	
	Six horses . . . . .	1,200 00	
	Three sets of double swing harnesses .	450 00	
	One single, swinging harness . . . . .	25 00	
	Eight horse blankets . . . . .	16 00	
	Hay and grain . . . . .	25 00	
	Furniture and bedding . . . . .	70 00	
	Supply for batteries . . . . .	45 00	
	Wood and coal . . . . .	20 00	
<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>		\$17,961 00	\$165,927 50

<i>Amounts brought forward</i>	\$17,961 00	\$165,927 50
One ladder hose pipe . . . . .	15 00	
Five hose pipes . . . . .	125 00	
Two extra nozzles . . . . .	10 00	
Twenty-two spanners . . . . .	5 50	
Two wagon jacks . . . . .	5 00	
Four lanterns . . . . .	6 00	
Twelve rubber coats . . . . .	10 00	
Canvas life net . . . . .	20 00	
Life sheets . . . . .	35 00	
Two Siamese connections . . . . .	20 00	
One shut-off nozzle . . . . .	15 00	
One shut-off gate . . . . .	20 00	
One plaster hook . . . . .	3 00	
One repeater . . . . .	300 00	
One tape register . . . . .	75 00	
One indicator . . . . .	100 00	
One nickel crowbar . . . . .	4 00	
One patent hose collar . . . . .	12 00	
Thirty-six feet suction hose . . . . .	40 00	
Old ladders . . . . .	25 00	
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		\$184,734 00
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## Records of the Town Clerk.

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ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 15, 1897.

TOWN WARRANT.

ESSEX SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Swampscott, in  
said County,* *Greeting:*

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott qualified to vote in elections, and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Swampscott, on Monday, the fifteenth day of March, current, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following Articles, viz.:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

ART. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for one (1) year.  
To choose a Board of Selectmen for the year ensuing.  
To choose one member of the Board of Assessors for three (3) years.  
To choose a Town Treasurer for one (1) year.  
To choose a Collector of Taxes for the year ensuing.  
To choose one member of the School Committee for three (3) years.  
To choose one member of the Board of Trustees of the Public Library for three (3) years.

To choose a Board of Auditors for the year ensuing.

To choose one Overseer of the Poor for three (3) years.

To choose one member of the Board of Health for three (3) years.

To choose a Surveyor of Highways for the year ensuing.

To choose three Constables for the year ensuing.

To choose a Park Commissioner for three (3) years.

All to be chosen on one ballot.

ART. 3. To vote by ballot "Yes" or "No" upon the question: Shall Licenses be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in this Town?

ART. 4. To hear and act upon the reports of the Auditing Committee, the Board of Selectmen, the School Committee, the Board of Trustees of the Public Library, the Engineers of the Fire Department, the Superintendent of the Cemetery, the Board of Health, the Chief of Police, the Milk Inspector, the Committee on Street Lights, the Committee on Future Water Supply, the Committee on Assessors' Plans, the Committee on King Street, the Committee on Cemetery Improvement, the Surveyor of Highways, the Inspector of Cattle, Provisions, etc., the Committee on Pine Street Tunnel, the Committee on Sewerage, the Committee to confer with the Street Railway Co. and the Park Commissioners.

ART. 5. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriations therefor.

ART. 6. To see if the Town will accept the list of names for Jurors as prepared and posted by the Selectmen.

ART. 7. To see what amount of bonds will be required of the Town Treasurer for the current year.

ART. 8. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of Taxes.

ART. 9. To see what amount of bonds will be required of the Collector of Taxes for the year ensuing.

ART. 10. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the regulation of salaries of Town officials for the ensuing year.

ART. 11. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the collection of taxes, and what rate of discount, if any, will be allowed for prompt payment on or before a certain date.

ART. 12. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of one hundred (\$100) dollars, to be placed in the hands of James L. Bates' Post 118, G. A. R., towards defraying the expenses of Memorial Day.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will direct the removal of the ledge from Redington Street, between Rockland and King Streets, and adjust the grade to facilitate travel over the hill, and appropriate money therefor agreeable to the petition of George A. Jackson and others.

ART. 14. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of two hundred and fifty (\$250) dollars in connection with the regular appropriation for the Fire Department, for the purpose of maintaining a Hose Company at Mountain Park, and also to complete the hose house built by the Town in that section, agreeable to the petition of Silas B. Carr and others.

ART. 15. To see what action the Town will take towards numbering the streets of the Town, on a basis of twenty-five feet frontage, and appropriate money for the same, agreeable to the petition of Fredd O. Thompson and others.

ART. 16. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of three thousand (\$3,000) dollars to purchase the piece of land on the corner of Burrill Street and Claremont Terrace, adjoining the Town Hall lot, agreeable to the petition of Samuel L. Crossman and others.

ART. 17. To see if the Town will accept and adopt Chapter 186, Section 1, Acts of March 27, 1895, agreeable to the petition of W. A. Stubbs and others.

ART. 18. To see if the Town will request the Board of Park Commissioners to take no further action towards the building of a park in Swampscott until our next Annual Town Meeting in March, 1898, agreeable to the petition of Thomas E. Stone and others.

ART. 19. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money, not to exceed twenty-five dollars, (\$25) to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen, for the purpose of ringing the Town Hall bell and raising the National flag on the staff on each and every Town Meeting day, 4th of July, Washington's Birthday, and at such other times as the board may deem proper, agreeable to the petition of Everett Boynton and others.

ART. 20. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money sufficient for the payment of the completed work of the survey of the Town, with maps for the use of the Board of Assessors, agreeable to the petition of the Committee on Survey and Maps.

ART. 21. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of fifty dollars, (\$50) to clear off the rubbish that may collect on Wales Beach, from June 1 to October 1, 1897, agreeable to the petition of William R. Blaney and others.

ART. 22. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to place a fire alarm box at the junction of Glen Road and Humphrey Street, agreeable to the petition of John Gannon and others.

ART. 23. To see if the Town will construct a stone crossing across Phillips Street, at the junction of Humphrey Street, and appropriate money for the same, agreeable to the petition of Frank E. Ingalls and others.

ART. 24. To see if the Town will construct a stone crossing on Redington Street, at the corner of Blaney Street, and appropriate money for the same, agreeable to the petition of A. L. Pierce and others.



ART. 25. To see if the Town will erect an electric arc light at the corner of Greenwood Street and King Street extension, and appropriate money for the same, agreeable to the petition of W. A. Delory and others.

ART. 26. To see if the Town will locate two (2) incandescent electric lights on Atlantic Avenue, one near house known as Marina on the Phillips estate, and one near the road going to the beach on the Palmer estate, and appropriate money for the same. Also, to see if the Town will establish proper bounds for street grade on Atlantic Avenue agreeable to the petition of David K. Phillips and others.

ART. 27. To see if the Town will erect an electric arc light near the residence of Charles Knowles, and appropriate money for the same, agreeable to the petition of James E. Phillips and others.

ART. 28. To see if the Town will erect an electric arc light near the corner of Walker and Grant Roads, and appropriate money for the same, agreeable to the petition of John S. Hurley and others.

ART. 29. To see if the Town will construct a fire escape on the Phillips School building, and appropriate money for the same, agreeable to the petition of Benjamin F. Rich and others.

ART. 30. To see if the Committee on Salaries will take into consideration the amount of work done by the Inspector of Provisions and Animals the past year, and make a suitable appropriation for the present year, agreeable to the petition of James E. Phillips and others.

ART. 31. To see whether the Town will vote to instruct the Board of Selectmen to petition the State Legislature in aid of the petitions and special report of the Massachusetts Highway Commission now pending before the Committee on Roads and Bridges, that a State highway be constructed between Boston and Newburyport over the North Shore route, so called, as described in said report, with such modifications of said plan as may be deemed advisable.



ART. 32. To see if the Town will construct two street crossings, one on Burrill Street opposite the store of J. L. Caverly, and one on Railroad Avenue, opposite the same estate, agreeable to the petition of the Selectmen.

The polls to be closed at 5.30 P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Depot, Post Office and three other public and conspicuous places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

*Hereof fail not*, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands, this fourth day of March, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

GEORGE A. R. HORTON,	} <i>Selectmen</i> <i>of</i> <i>Swampscott.</i>
GEORGE A. HEATH,	
CLARENCE B. DELANO,	

A true copy. Attest:

*Constable.*

RETURN ON THE WARRANT.

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed, I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott, qualified as herein expressed, to meet at the time and place and for the purposes herein mentioned, by posting up attested copies of said Warrant at the Town Hall, Depot, Post Office and nine other public and conspicuous places in said Swampscott, on Saturday, March 6, 1897, the posting of said notices being seven days before the time of said meeting.

SAMUEL T. HARRIS,

*Constable of Swampscott.*

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ANNUAL MEETING, MARCH 15, 1897.

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In accordance with the foregoing Warrant the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott, qualified to vote in elections, met in the Town Hall on Monday, March 15, 1897, and were called to order at 6 o'clock A. M., by the Town Clerk, who read the Warrant, calling said meeting and the return thereon of the officer who served it upon the inhabitants.

ART. 1. To choose a Moderator.

The polls were declared open for the reception of votes for Moderator.

*Voted.* To close the polls for choice of Moderator at 6.40 A. M.

There were three hundred and ten ballots cast for Moderator as follows:

John R. Merritt, 171, elected; Fred C. Marsh, 139.

John R. Merritt was immediately qualified for the duties of Moderator by the Town Clerk.

The ballot box was shown to be empty, the register denoting 000; the Moderator then declared the polls open for balloting for Town Officers; the keys to the ballot box were delivered to Samuel T. Harris, the Constable in charge.

The Town Clerk had prepared ballots as follows:

General ballots, 1350; special ballots, 75; specimen ballots, 25.

The package containing the ballots was delivered to the Ballot Clerks, Benjamin F. Rich, (Rep.) Inspector; Andrew Olsen, (Dem.), Inspector; who had been appointed by the Selectmen, and qualified for their duties by the Town Clerk; they receipted therefor.

Cards of Instruction and penalties, also specimen ballots were posted inside and outside the polling place as required by the laws of the Commonwealth.

The Selectmen appointed Sidney M. Shattuck, Willard M. Hatch, H. Byron Martin, Frank D. Thurston, Oscar F. Morris, Edmund Russell, Frank V. Porter and Stephen P. Hurd to serve

as tellers; Stephen P. Hurd did not appear and the Moderator appointed George W. Corson to serve in his place.

The tellers were all qualified for their duties by the Town Clerk.

The ballot box was opened several times by the Moderator for the purpose of counting the votes. At the close of the polls the register of the ballot box stood at 715; there were seven hundred and eight (708) general ballots, and three (3) special ballots cast. The number of checks on the voting lists agreed with the number of ballots cast.

The polls were closed at 5.30 P. M.

*Voted.* That we adjourn to to-morrow evening at 7.30 o'clock.

The result of the balloting for Town Officers was announced at 6.15 P. M. as follows:

For Selectmen — Clarence B. Delano, 284; Wilmot R. Hastings, 320, elected; George A. Heath, 290; George A. R. Horton 301; George T. Melzard, 326, elected; James H. Moulton, 384, elected; David W. Nisbett, 129; blanks, 87; scattering, 3.

For Town Clerk — George T. Till, 612, elected; blanks, 95; scattering, 1.

For Treasurer — Benjamin O. Honors, 589, elected; blanks, 119.

For Collector of Taxes — Michael P. Carroll, 606, elected; blanks, 102.

\* For School Committee for three years — Frank E. Ingalls, 560, elected; blanks, 149; scattering, 2.

For Overseer of Poor for three years — Michael P. Carroll, 564, elected; blanks, 144.

For Assessor for three years — Isaac H. Andrews, 301; Peleg Gardner, 309, elected; blanks, 98.

For Surveyor of Highways — William Granger, 102; James P. M. S. Pitman, 435, elected; John G. Twisden, 138; blanks, 33.

For Member of Board of Health for three years — William H. Collins, 105; Willis E. Doughty, 293, elected; Richard G. Gilley, 224; blanks, 185.

For Trustee of Public Library for three years — James E. Peasley, 476, elected; blanks, 231; scattering, 1.

For Park Commissioner for three years — Edward H. Kitfield, 322, elected; James E. O. Nisbett, 264; blanks, 122.

For Auditors — Herman F. Ashton, 328, elected; L. Frank Cahoon, 286; John B. Earp, 304; Edward A. Maxfield, 325, elected; Jay C. Merritt, 386, elected; blanks, 495.

For Constables — Richard G. Gilley, 353, elected; Samuel T. Harris, 441, elected; J. G. Owens, 16, elected; blanks, 1,271; scattering, 43.

LICENSE QUESTION.

No, 444; Yes, 175; blanks, 89.

Adjourned.

Attest: GEO. T. TILL,  
*Town Clerk.*

## ADJOURNED ANNUAL MEETING, MARCH 16, 1897.

In accordance with the adjournment of the last meeting, the voters of the Town assembled at the Town Hall, on Tuesday evening, March 16, 1897.

The meeting was called to order at 7.30 o'clock by John R. Merritt, Moderator.

The records of the previous meeting were read and declared correct.

*Voted.* To accept the Auditors' Report.

A motion to lay Article 4 upon the table, and have recommendations taken up with articles in Warrant, was negatived.

*Voted.* To accept all reports, and in so far as they contain recommendations, be taken up in their order for action.

*Voted.* To act upon each appropriation recommended by the Selectmen separately.

*Voted.* ART. 4. To appropriate for the several departments, as follows:

Selectmen's Department . . . . .	\$4,500 00
Highway Department . . . . .	4,500 00
School Department . . . . .	16,000 00
Health Department . . . . .	2,000 00
Police Department . . . . .	4,500 00
Poor Department . . . . .	3,000 00
Fire Department, receipts, etc. . . . .	5,000 00
Town Hall, receipts, etc. . . . .	750 00
Catch Basin and Gutter . . . . .	500 00
Sidewalk Department . . . . .	1,000 00
Concrete and Curbstone Department . . . . .	500 00
Library, dog tax, receipts, etc. . . . .	450 00
Care Monument Lot . . . . .	35 00
Memorial Day . . . . .	100 00
Soldiers' and Sailors' Aid . . . . .	500 00
Interest . . . . .	3,800 00
State Tax (estimated) . . . . .	4,500 00
County Tax (estimated) . . . . .	5,500 00

Cemetery. *Voted.* That the appropriation for the Cemetery be laid upon the table and taken up with the recommendations of the Selectmen pertaining to the Cemetery.

Water Rates. *Voted.* To lay upon the table the matter of an appropriation for Water Rates until an adjourned meeting.

Appropriation for Street Watering. *Voted.* To appropriate the sum of \$2,500 for Street Watering for the current year under the same plan as pursued for the past two years and at the discretion of the Surveyor of Highways.

*Voted.* To lay upon the table the recommendation of the Selectmen in regard to Mountain Park Hose House, to be taken up with Art. 14.

Cemetery. *Voted.* To lay upon the table the recommendation of the Selectmen pertaining to the Cemetery until the report of the Cemetery Committee is reached.

A motion was made to accept Middlesex and Norfolk Avenues as laid out by the Selectmen as per report and plan filed with the Town Clerk.

*Voted.* To lay upon the table to be acted upon at some future time.

By request, that part of the report of the Committee on Future Water Supply pertaining to their investigations was read.

*Voted.* To lay upon the table the last part of the Selectmen's Report, entitled recommendations, to be taken up with articles in the Warrant relating to the same.

*Moved.* That Aaron R. Bunting, Edward H. Kitfield, George Albree and the Board of Selectmen, be a committee to take immediate action towards securing for the Town a supply of soft water.

That said committee be and is hereby instructed to at once confer with the Public Water Board of Lynn to see whether the Town can secure a supply from Lynn for a term of one year from the expiration of



our present water contract with the Marblehead Water Company, with privilege of renewal for a period not exceeding five years, and on what terms.

That said committee be and is hereby authorized in case it appears that a supply can be obtained on favorable terms, to prepare in conjunction with the Lynn Water Board, the most favorable form of contract that can be secured in the interest of the Town.

That the committee be and is hereby instructed to negotiate with the Marblehead Water Company to see on what terms the said company will sell to the Town such of its pipes as the Town may desire to purchase.

That the committee be and is hereby instructed to report at an adjourned meeting if possible, or at a special Town Meeting called for the purpose at the earliest practicable day, such form of contract as they may be able to prepare with the Lynn Water Board; also to report at the same time as to terms of purchase that may be made with said Marblehead Water Company, as above suggested; this report, with recommendations, to be submitted for such action as the Town may desire to take.

A motion to lay the Water Question on the table until next Friday night was negatived.

Martin E. Nies gave notice that he having voted in the negative, should move a reconsideration at a future meeting.

George A. Crosman moved that a reconsideration be had at the present time.

Martin E. Nies withdrew his notice of a motion to reconsider.

*Voted.* To adjourn at 10 P. M. until to-morrow (Wednesday) evening at 7.30 o'clock.

Attest :      GEO. T. TILL,

*Town Clerk.*

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ADJOURNED ANNUAL MEETING,  
MARCH 17, 1897.

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In accordance with the foregoing adjournment the voters of the Town assembled at the Town Hall on Wednesday evening, March 17, 1897.

The meeting was called to order at 7.30 o'clock by John R. Merritt, Moderator.

The records of the last meeting were read and declared correct.

*Voted.* That Aaron R. Bunting, Edward H. Kitfield, George Albree, Eldridge F. Small, Arthur F. Foster, Peleg Gardner, Martin E. Nies and the Board of Selectmen, be a committee to take immediate action towards securing for the Town a supply of soft water.

That said committee be and is hereby instructed to at once confer with the Public Water Board of Lynn to see whether the Town can secure a supply from Lynn for a term of one year from the expiration of our present water contract with the Marblehead Water Company, with privilege of renewal for a period not exceeding five years, and on what terms.

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That the committee be and is hereby instructed to report at an adjourned meeting if possible, or at a special Town Meeting called for the purpose at the earliest practicable day, such form of contract as they



may be able to prepare with the Lynn Water Board; also to report at the same time as to terms of purchase that may be made with said Marblehead Water Company, as above suggested; this report, with recommendations, to be submitted for such action as the Town may desire to take.

Peleg Gardner stated that he declined to serve on the Future Water Supply Committee, but the meeting voted to not accept his declination.

*Voted.* To refer to the School Committee the matter as contained in their report which recommends a special appropriation for a chemical laboratory, the committee to report as to cost of same at an adjourned meeting.

*Voted.* To take up the report of the Cemetery Improvement Committee. Purchase of  
Land for  
Cemetery.

*Voted.* That the Cemetery Committee be instructed to see Mr. Southwick and purchase the property in his hands provided it can be purchased at a reasonable figure, with a clear title.

*Voted.* To refer the recommendation of the Sealer of Weights and Measures in regard to the Town furnishing a suitable number of standard weights to the Selectmen, to be reported upon at an adjourned meeting.

*Voted.* To appropriate \$7,500 for the maintenance of Street Lights for the ensuing year. Appropriati'n  
for  
Street Lights.

*Voted.* That the minority report of the Street Light Committee be accepted and adopted, also the majority report in so far as it relates to appropriation and location of lights.

*Voted.* That the Street Light Committee for the current year be—Aaron R. Bunting, Edwin A. Farnham, John R. Merritt, Frank L. Bonney and Martin L. Quinn. Street Light  
Committee.

George A. Heath, D. Holman Millett and Samuel F. Crosman were each elected to serve on Street Light Committee, and each declined to serve.

*Voted.* To refer to the Selectmen the recommendation of the Surveyor of Highways regarding the re-building of wall and fence, they to report as to cost of same at an adjourned meeting.

*Voted.* ART. 6. To accept the following as a List of Jurors:

JOHN I. ADAMS.	CHARLES J. JACKSON.
ISAAC H. ANDREWS.	GEORGE H. LAMPARD.
HERMAN F. ASHTON.	JOHN R. MERRITT.
JAMES F. BLANEY.	STEPHEN D. MORRIS.
LEWIS G. CLARK.	FRED C. MARSH.
WILLIAM H. COLLINS.	JAMES E. O. NISBETT.
GEORGE M. CONNER.	JAMES E. PHILLIPS.
WILLIAM C. COWDREY.	BENJAMIN F. RICH.
JOSEPH F. CROWELL.	EDWARD S. RICH.
THOS. B. P. CURTIS.	GILBERT DELANO.
CHARLES ROWELL.	RODNEY A. DOUGLASS.
EDMUND RUSSELL.	ENOCH S. EASTMAN.
CHARLES E. EVANS.	PELEG GARDNER.
JOHN C. THOMAS.	MICHAEL HALEY.
FRANK D. THURSTON.	GEORGE C. WEBSTER.
CHARLES A. HORTON.	EDWIN F. WILEY.
JOHN H. FARWELL.	JOSEPH W. GLASS.
JOSEPH H. PIERCE.	GEORGE W. CORSON.

*Voted.* To take up the report of Sewerage Committee.

Sewerage  
Committee.

*Voted.* To appoint a Sewerage Committee of fifteen members to investigate and report at the next following Annual Town Meeting, or some Town Meeting prior thereto, the result of its investigation and make such recommendations upon all matters relating to Sewerage that such committee sees fit.

#### SEWERAGE COMMITTEE.

AARON R. BUNTING.	PELEG GARDNER.
EDWARD H. KITFIELD.	ANDREW L. HARRIS.
D. HOLMAN MILLETT.	ISAAC H. ANDREWS.
H. CUSHING BULFINCH.	ROBT. B. WARDWELL.
FRANK E. INGALLS.	BENJAMIN POTTER.
ELDRIDGE F. SMALL.	KENDALL POLLARD.
EBEN N. WARDWELL.	EDMUND RUSSELL.
EDWIN A. FARNHAM.	JAMES H. MOULTON.

*Voted.* That Samuel F. Crosman have the privilege of the floor to discuss the Sewerage Question.

*Motion.* To indefinitely postpone the matter of Pine Street tunnel.

*Voted.* To lay upon the table the matter of proposed Pine Street tunnel.

*Voted.* ART. 7. That the required amount of the Treasurer's bond be \$10,000.

*Voted.* ART. 8. To accept and adopt the following resolution: That for the purpose of procuring a temporary loan to and for the use of the Town of Swampscott, in anticipation of the taxes of the present municipal year, the Town Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to borrow, from time to time, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, a sum or sums in the aggregate amounting to thirty thousand dollars, and to execute and deliver the note or notes of the Town therefor, payable within one year from the time the loan is made, with interest thereon at a rate not exceeding six per cent. per annum. Any debt or debts incurred by a loan or loans to the Town under this vote shall be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year. (Unanimous.)

*Voted.* ART. 9. That the amount of bond to be required of Collector of Taxes be \$5,000.

*Voted.* ART. 10. That the salaries of Town officials be same as last year.

*Voted.* ART. 11. To allow two per cent. discount on all taxes paid on or before October 1, the present year.

*Voted.* To refer Art. 13 to the Selectmen and Surveyor of Highways, report and recommendations to be made at the adjourned meeting.

*Voted.* To leave Art. 30 to the Selectmen.

*Voted.* To take up Art. 18.

A motion to accept and adopt Art. 18 was negatived.

*Voted.* At 9.45 to adjourn to to-morrow (Thursday) evening at 7.30 o'clock.

Attest:

GEO. T. TILL,

*Town Clerk.*

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ADJOURNED ANNUAL MEETING,  
MARCH 18, 1897.

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In accordance with the foregoing adjournment, the voters of the Town assembled at the Town Hall on Thursday evening, March 18, 1897.

The meeting was called to order at 7.30 o'clock by John R. Merritt, Moderator.

The records of the last meeting were read and declared approved.

Mountain  
Park  
Hose House.

*Voted.* ART. 14. To appropriate \$250 for the purpose of maintaining a Hose Company at Mountain Park and completing the hose house, under the direction of the Board of Engineers.

Street  
Numbering.

*Voted.* ART. 15. To appropriate \$225, to be used for the purpose of numbering the streets of the Town, on a basis of twenty-five feet frontage, under the direction of the Board of Assessors, and that the work be entered upon by April 1st, if possible.

Purchase of  
Proctor Lot.

*Voted.* ART. 16. To instruct the Selectmen to purchase the Proctor Lot, so-called, at the corner of Burrill Street and Claremont Terrace, and appropriate the sum of \$3,000 for the same, and that the Town Treasurer, under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, be authorized to borrow said sum of \$3,000 giving the notes of the Town therefor, said notes to be payable in not less than eight years. (Unanimous.)

*Voted.* ART. 17. To grant petitioners leave to withdraw.

*Voted.* ART. 19. To accept and adopt Art. 19, appropriating \$25 therefor.

*Voted.* ART. 20. To appropriate the sum of <sup>Survey of Town with Maps.</sup> \$1,600 for the payment of the completed work of the survey of the Town, with maps for the use of the Assessors.

*Voted.* ART. 21. To appropriate the sum of <sup>Cleaning Whales' Beach.</sup> \$50, to be used under the direction of the Board of Health, for the purpose of clearing off rubbish that may collect on Whales' Beach during summer months.

*Voted.* ART. 22. To refer the matter of a Fire Alarm box at the junction of Glen Road and Humphrey Street to the Board of Engineers, they to report as to cost at the adjourned meeting.

*Voted.* ART. 23. To construct a Stone Crossing at the junction of Humphrey Street across Phillips Street.

*Voted.* ART. 24. To refer the matter of a Stone Crossing on Redington Street, at the corner of Blaney Street, to the Selectmen, they to report as to cost of same at the adjourned meeting.

*Voted.* To adopt the following resolution :

#### RESOLUTION.

*Whereas*, Action taken by the Park Commissioners, that apparently works injury to divers citizens of the Town, and

*Whereas*, said Commissioners are powerless under the law to remedy the same,

*Be it Resolved*, That our Representative in the Great and General Court be requested to introduce a bill at this session, if possible, to so amend the Park Acts that the Commissioners of Swampscott may be authorized to award consequential damages to parties suffering such damage by reason of their acts.

*Voted.* To refer all matters pertaining to Street Lights — Articles 25, 26, 27, 28, — to the Street Light

Committee, to be reported upon at the adjourned meeting.

*Voted.* To appropriate the sum of \$325 for the purpose of repairing the Engine House; also to appropriate the sum of \$255 for a new set of ladders, as recommended in Report of Engineers, all to be done under the direction of the Board of Engineers.

*Voted.* That the last part of Art. 26, in regard to establishing proper bounds for street grade on Atlantic Avenue, be referred to the Selectmen.

*Voted.* That the recommendations under the head of Water Supply, in the Report of the Engineers, be referred to the engineers, to be brought up at the adjourned meeting.

*Voted.* ART. 29. To refer the matter of a fire escape on the Phillips School building to the School Committee, they to report on the same at the adjourned meeting.

*Voted.* ART. 31. That the Town instruct the Board of Selectmen to petition the State Legislature in aid of the petitions and special report of the Massachusetts Highway Commission, now pending before the Committee on Roads and Bridges, that a State Highway be constructed between Boston and Newburyport over the North Shore route, so-called, as described in said report.

*Voted.* To refer Art. 32, which petitions for Street Crossings at the store of J. L. Caverly, to the Selectmen, to be reported upon at the adjourned meeting.

*Voted.* That when we adjourn, it be to Thursday evening, April 15th, at 7.30 P. M.

*Voted.* To adjourn at 9.05 P. M.

Attest:

GEO. T. TILL,

*Town Clerk.*



## ADJOURNED ANNUAL MEETING, APRIL, 15th, 1897.

In accordance with the previous adjournment the voters of the Town assembled at the Town Hall on Thursday evening, April 15, 1897.

The meeting was called to order by John R. Merritt, Moderator at 7.35 o'clock.

The records of the last meeting were read and declared approved.

*Voted.* To appropriate \$650 for the Cemetery Appropriati'n  
for Cemetery. as recommended by the Selectmen.

*Voted.* To appropriate \$750 for Water Rates as Appropriati'n  
for  
Water Rates. recommended by the Selectmen.

*Voted.* To lay on the table the matter of accepting Middlesex and Norfolk Avenues.

A verbal report on the Water Question was made by E. F. Small, chairman of Water Supply Committee, who reported progress and asked for further time.

*Voted.* To accept and adopt the report of Water Supply Committee, granting further time.

### REPORT ON PROPOSED CHEMICAL LABORATORY AT PHILLIPS SCHOOL.

The matter of a Chemical and Physical Laboratory which was referred to the School Board, has been carefully considered and we report as follows:

Your Committee is convinced that its recommendations on this subject as contained in the last Annual Report, have been well received, and that the general sentiment of our citizens is in favor of carrying this project through, so that our High School may be as well equipped in every respect as other similar institutions throughout the State.

Should the proposed Laboratory be located in the Phillips School building, there are only two places which could possibly be considered, viz. the supply room in basement, and the north room on third floor.

After carefully looking the ground over from every stand-point, and consulting the architect of the building, we have decided that it would be impracticable to locate said laboratory in the north room. The only place remaining in the building available for this purpose would therefore be the basement room, and the total cost of fitting this up as estimated by H. K. Wheeler, architect, would be about \$1,114, with a further annual expense for running a small electric motor, which would be needed to create an exhaust draft in a ventilating stack to keep the building free from fumes of chemicals.

Another, and in our opinion a much better plan, is to erect a small one story brick building in the rear, same to be about thirty feet square; to have slated roof with a large skylight, and to be connected with main building by a covered passage way.

The estimated cost of this building, exclusive of foundations and heating arrangements, would be some \$1,414, or only \$300 in excess of figures given for fitting up the basement.

In either case it would be necessary to add \$500 or \$600 for chemical apparatus, furnishings, etc. Allowing for other incidental expenses, such as drainage, gas and water pipes, and especially the cost of foundations, heating, and covered passage way, (none of which are included in the estimates), your Committee would recommend an appropriation of \$2,500, which will probably be ample for all present needs.

F. E. INGALLS,	}	<i>School</i> <i>Committee.</i>
E. F. SMALL,		
EDWIN M. BAILEY,		

Vote for  
Chemical  
Laboratory.

*Voted.* To accept and adopt the report of the School Committee on Chemical Laboratory and appropriate \$2,500 therefor.



REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO PURCHASE LAND FOR  
CEMETERY.

*Fellow Townsmen:*

The parcel of land adjacent to the Cemetery has been negotiated for, \$700 was offered for it, but the offer has been declined. It is held at more than twice that sum.

We have based our refusal to pay more than \$700 on the following facts:

1. Its assessed valuation \$325, or \$100 per acre.

2. It had been offered to the previous Committee for \$500.

3. As compared with the value of similar pasture land elsewhere.

Therefore we recommend that, under the right of eminent domain, the Town take it, paying such price as shall be adjudged to be right and just.

The Town's Counsel also agrees with, in fact, recommends this policy.

Further, we recommend that the parcel of land known as the Silver Lot also be taken and its value adjudged in like manner.

EDMUND RUSSELL,  
ANTHONY BILKOOSKY.

*Voted.* To lay this report on the table until 9 o'clock for further consideration.

REPORT ON WEIGHTS FOR SEALER OF WEIGHTS  
AND MEASURES.

*To the Inhabitants of Swampscott:*

Your Selectmen, to whom was referred the recommendation of the Sealer of Weights and Measures,

hereby recommend that the sum of sixty-five dollars (\$65) be appropriated to purchase suitable fifty-pound weights for the use of said Sealer.

Respectfully submitted,

WILMOT R. HASTINGS, }  
JAMES H. MOULTON, } *Selectmen.*  
GEORGE T. MELZARD, }

Voted to  
purchase  
Weights for  
Sealer.

*Voted.* To accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen on purchase of weights for Sealer of Weights and Measures, appropriating \$65 for the same.

#### REPORT ON FENCE AT ESSEX STREET.

*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

Your Selectmen, to whom was referred the recommendation of the Surveyor of Highways that a fence be constructed on Essex Street, opposite the Jackson estate, hereby recommend that the sum of Two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) be appropriated for said work.

Respectfully submitted,

WILMOT R. HASTINGS, }  
JAMES H. MOULTON, } *Selectmen.*  
GEORGE T. MELZARD. }

*Voted.* To accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen on building fence on Essex Street opposite the Jackson estate, appropriating \$250 therefor.

#### REPORT ON RE-LAYING THE WALL ON HUMPHREY STREET, OPPOSITE THE MARSHALL ESTATE.

*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

Your Selectmen, to whom was referred the subject of re-laying the wall on Humphrey Street, opposite the Marshall estate, hereby recommend that a pipe

drain be laid, rather than to re-lay the wall, and that an appropriation of Six hundred and fifty dollars (\$650) be made for the same.

Respectfully submitted,

WILMOT R. HASTINGS,  
JAMES H. MOULTON,  
GEORGE T. MELZARD.

}

Selectmen.

*Voted.* To accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen on the subject of re-laying the wall on Humphrey Street, opposite the Marshall estate, and appropriate \$650 therefor.

Vote to  
repair  
Humphrey  
Street drain  
at Marshall  
Estate.

REPORT ON STREET CROSSINGS.

*To the Inhabitants of Swampscott:*

Your Selectmen, to whom was referred the subject of street crossings on Phillips, Redington and Burrill Streets and Railroad Avenue, hereby recommend that the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600) be appropriated for the construction of said crossings.

Respectfully submitted,

WILMOT R. HASTINGS,  
JAMES H. MOULTON,  
GEORGE T. MELZARD,

}

Selectmen.

*Voted.* To accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen on Street Crossings petitioned for in the Warrant and appropriate \$600 for the same.

The School Committee reported it inexpedient to place a fire escape on the Phillips School building.

REPORT CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A GRADE AT ATLANTIC AVENUE.

*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

Your Selectmen, to whom was referred the latter portion of Art. 26, hereby recommend that an appro-

priation of Fifty dollars (\$50) be made to cover the expense of establishing the grade of Atlantic Avenue.

Respectfully submitted,

WILMOT R. HASTINGS, }  
JAMES H. MOULTON, } *Selectmen.*  
GEORGE T. MELZARD. }

Vote to  
establish  
grade  
at Atlantic  
Avenue.

*Voted.* To accept the report of the Selectmen regarding the establishment of a grade at Atlantic Avenue, and appropriate \$50 to cover the expense of the same.

Vote for  
Fire Alarm  
box.

*Voted.* ART. 22. To appropriate \$100 to place a Fire Alarm box at junction of Glen Road and Humphrey Street.

*Voted.* To refer the recommendation of the Board of Engineers regarding the amount of pressure on Hydrants to the Committee on Water Supply.

#### REPORT OF STREET LIGHT COMMITTEE.

ARTICLE 25. ARC LIGHT. Your committee have looked over the location at Greenwood Street and King Street extension, and fail to see the need of an arc light being placed there. Standing in front of the Phillips School building, and looking down, there are several lights which throw their rays, and particularly Light No. 93, near the corner of Rockland Street and Greenwood Court, which considering there is only one house near this point, for a new light appears to be reasonably well lighted at present, and we recommend the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

ARTICLE 26. TWO INCANDESCENTS ON ATLANTIC AVENUE. Your committee have looked the location over and find there is need of even more than is asked for in two incandescents at this point, and would recommend that an incandescent light be placed near the corner of the road going to the beach, as asked

for, and erecting an arc light in place of an incandescent near the house known as Mariana, or somewhat westerly from there, at the same time changing over the next light easterly of this point (with no expense to the Town of course), would give to this much used thoroughfare ample light, which it certainly does not have now; and we recommend this action.

ARTICLE 27. ARC LIGHT. (Near residence of Charles Knowles, Rockland Street.)

Your committee have also looked over these premises and find there is no real need of more light at this point.

We already have an arc light in front of the James Pope estate, and one at Rockland and Highland Streets, with an incandescent opposite house of Charles H. Joye, and although there is something of a bend in the street between each arc light, the small one seems to fill the space, and we would recommend the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

ARTICLE 28. ARC LIGHT. Your Committee have also looked over this point at the corner of Walker and Grant Roads, near the residence of Mr. John S. Hurley, and would recommend the placing of an arc light at this point as called for by the petitioners.

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. FARNHAM, *Chairman,*

*Street Light Committee.*

*Voted.* To accept and adopt the report of the Street Light Committee.

#### REPORT ON REMOVAL OF LEDGE ON REDINGTON STREET.

*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

Your Selectmen, to whom was referred Art. 13,

concerning the removal of ledge in Redington Street, hereby recommend that an appropriation of five hundred and fifty dollars (\$550) be made to perform said work.

Respectfully submitted,

WILMOT R. HASTINGS, }  
JAMES H. MOULTON, } *Selectmen.*  
GEORGE T. MELZARD, }

*Voted.* To accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen and appropriate \$550 therefor.

*Voted.* To reconsider the vote whereby \$4,500 for the Highway Department was appropriated, also to reconsider the vote relating to the salary of the Janitor of the Town Hall.

*Voted.* That the appropriation for the Highway Department be \$5,500 instead of \$4,500.

*Voted.* That the salary of the Janitor of the Town Hall be \$650 per year.

*Voted.* That the appropriation for the Town Hall be \$950 instead of \$750.

*Voted.* That when we adjourn, it be to Thursday evening, May 27th, at 7.45 P. M.

The matter of purchasing land for the Cemetery was taken from the table.

*Voted.* That it is the sense of this meeting that the Chairman of Board of Assessors be requested to produce for us at this meeting the Assessors' valuation of the land in question.

*Voted.* That the Board of Selectmen and Board of Assessors be and are hereby instructed and authorized to purchase the land in question for Cemetery purposes, or secure the same under right of eminent domain, and that the sum of \$2,500 be appropriated for the same, the unexpended balance, if any, to be applied to the further improvement of the Cemetery,

Vote to  
purchase  
land at  
Cemetery.

in accordance with the recommendation of the Superintendent of Cemetery.

*Voted.* To adopt the following resolution.

RESOLUTION.

*Whereas*, Many of our honored and respected citizens are being forced into legal complications, by the operation of the Park Act recently accepted by the Town, and administered by the Park Commissioners; and

*Whereas*, said legal contention may possibly involve the town to such an extent, as to seriously menace the best interests thereof,

*Be it Resolved*, That it is the earnest will and expression of the citizens in Town Meeting assembled, that the Commissioners be requested to temporarily desist from any further encroachment upon lands taken for Park purposes, to remove or destroy any building or buildings thereon, until such time as a special Town Meeting can be called, immediately after the adjournment of the Annual Town Meeting now in session, for the express purpose of fairly discussing the Park question in all its relations to citizens of the Town, and to take such action as may commend itself to the wisdom of its citizens.

*Voted.* To adjourn at 10 o'clock P. M.

Attest:

GEO. T. TILL,

*Town Clerk.*

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ADJOURNED ANNUAL MEETING, MAY 27,  
1897.

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In accordance with adjournment, the voters of the Town assembled at the Town Hall on Thursday evening, May 27, 1897.



The meeting was called to order at 7.45 o'clock by John R. Merritt, Moderator.

The records of the last meeting were read and declared approved.

*Voted.* That the Treasurer be authorized, under the direction of the Selectmen, to hire a sum not exceeding \$5,000 and give the note of the Town for the same, for a time not less than eight years, the same to be used for the building of the Chemical Laboratory and the improvement of the Cemetery. Yes, 112; No, 3.

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#### REPORT ON CEMETERY LAND.

##### *To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

Your committee to whom was referred the purchase of land for cemetery purposes, beg leave to submit the following report:

On looking into the subject, we were surprised to learn that the Town now owns nearly two acres of land adjoining the cemetery and outside the line of the old wall. Added to this, we have considerable land which has not yet been laid out in lots, within the present boundaries of the cemetery. Therefore we have now available for cemetery purposes, sufficient land, in all probability, to answer our needs for many years. We believe that very few of our fellow citizens were aware of this condition at the time when this committee received its instructions.

We have interviewed the owner of the land, Alden Southworth, and are as yet unable to agree upon a price. Inasmuch as the Town has already sufficient land for a considerable term of years, we recommend that this committee be instructed to take no further



action, provided that the owner will not accept for his land a sum of money which the committee considers a fair price.

WILMOT R. HASTINGS,	} <i>Committee to purchase land for Cemetery.</i>
JAMES H. MOULTON,	
D. H. MILLETT,	
PELEG GARDNER,	
GILBERT DELANO,	

*Voted.* To accept the report and adopt the recommendations of the committee to purchase land for Cemetery.

*Voted.* To take from the table the matter pertaining to the acceptance of Norfolk and Middlesex Avenues.

A motion to dispense with the reading of the report of the Selectmen on laying out Norfolk and Middlesex Avenues was negatived.

The report of the Selectmen above referred to was read.

*Voted.* To lay upon the table until the Committee on Future Water Supply had made report.

The chairman of Future Water Supply Committee stated that the Committee desired further time; the form of contract offered by the City of Lynn was read.

*Voted.* That the Committee on Future Water Supply have power to secure good counsel, and money would be appropriated for the same if necessary.

*Voted.* To adjourn to Thursday evening, June 10th, at 7.30 P. M.

Attest:

GEO. T. TILL,

*Town Clerk.*



ART. 5. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the increase of the Town Hall janitor's salary.

ART. 6. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money sufficient to place an arc light at the corner of Belmont Avenue and Minerva Street, according to the petition of C. L. E. Goodwin and others.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Depots, Post Offices, and three other public and conspicuous places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

*Hereof fail not*, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands, this twenty-third day of September, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

WILMOT R. HASTINGS,	} <i>Selectmen</i>	
JAMES H. MOULTON,		of
GEORGE T. MELZARD,		} <i>Swampscott.</i>

RETURN ON THE WARRANT.

ESSEX, SS.

*September 23, 1897.*

I have served the within Warrant by posting an attested copy of the same at the Town Hall, Depots, Post Offices and three other public and conspicuous places as within directed.

J. G. OWENS,

*Constable of Swampscott.*

In accordance with the foregoing Warrant, the voters of the Town assembled at the Town Hall, on Thursday evening, Sept. 30, 1897.

The meeting was called to order at 7.30 o'clock by Geo. T. Till, Town Clerk, who read the Warrant and the return thereon.

There were 22 ballots cast for Moderator, as follows: John R. Merritt, 13, elected; Fred C. Marsh, 9.

John R. Merritt was immediately qualified for the duties of Moderator by the Town Clerk.

*Voted.* To take up for action Art. 4, 5, 6.

*Voted.* To lay Art. 4 on the table.

Salary of  
Janitor  
Town Hall.

*Voted.* ART. 5. That the salary of the Janitor of the Town Hall is hereby increased to \$650 per year, and the sum of \$130 appropriated for the Town Hall Department for that purpose.

Appropriati'n  
for Street  
Lights.

*Voted.* ART. 6. To appropriate the sum of \$72 for an arc light at the corner of Belmont Avenue and Minerva Street.

*Voted.* To take up Art. 4.

Appropriati'n  
for  
Highway  
Department

*Voted.* ART. 4. That the sum of \$1,000 be appropriated for the use of the Highway Department, making a total of \$5,500 appropriated for this department for the current year.

*An Amendment.* That the sum of \$400 be added to Highway Department appropriation, to be expended under the direction of the Highway Surveyor in the improvement of the streets at Mountain Park, was negatived.

*Voted.* ART. 2. To accept the report of the Committee on Future Water Supply, as printed, and adopt their recommendations contained in the following votes, amended to read as follows:

*Voted.* That the Committee on Future Water Supply be and is hereby directed to make the following proposition to the Marblehead Water Company for the purchase of its corporate property and all the rights, privileges, easements, lands, waters, water rights, dams, reservoirs, pipes, engines, boilers, machinery, fixtures, hydrants, tools and all appliances owned by said company, at a price to be fixed by three commissioners, each to be appointed by the mutual

agreement of said Marblehead Water Company and the Committee on Future Water Supply, and in case said company and said committee, after conference, shall be unable to agree upon such commissioners, application may be made to the Supreme Judicial Court by said company or said committee, and after notice to the parties, said commissioners shall be appointed by said court or any justice thereof, and said commissioners shall determine the fair value of said property upon the following basis, viz.:

1. The commissioners shall determine the fair value of said property for the purposes of its use by said Town, and their award, or the award of a majority of them, when made, shall be final. Such value shall be estimated without enhancement on account of past, present or future earning capacity or good will, or on account of the franchise or any privilege of said company.

2. The expenses of the commission shall be paid equally by the Marblehead Water Company and the Town of Swampscott.

3. Provided this proposition is accepted by the Marblehead Water Company, the acceptance shall be in form satisfactory to the Town Counsel.

4. The proposition shall be void and of no effect unless a satisfactory acceptance thereof shall have been filed with the Town Clerk of Swampscott, or the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen of Swampscott, within sixty days after its adoption by vote of the Town.

5. The formal transfer of the said property of the Marblehead Water Company shall not be effected unless such transfer is authorized by special or general legislation, and a good and clear title given, free from all incumbrances.

6. If the proposition is not accepted, the Town's rights and interests in future will not be effected by reason of this offer.

7. All details as to form of agreement, mode and details of reference and hearing, and all terms and conditions not herein specified to be left to the discretion and determination of said committee.

*Voted.* That the Committee on Future Water Supply be and is hereby directed to confer at once with the Metropolitan Water Board to see upon what terms a supply of water for all Town, domestic and other purposes can be secured, and to submit at a special meeting to be called, any proposition and all propositions which it may obtain; and said committee is hereby further directed to prepare, under the direction of the Town Counsel, such bills as will be necessary to present to the next General Court to enable the Town to acquire and operate its own water plant; and said committee is hereby further directed to have prepared estimates of such construction as is necessary to complete and perfect a water system for the Town's immediate needs and for the future requirements.

*Motion.* That the sum of fifteen hundred dollars be appropriated, said sum to be raised by note of the Town and known as a Park Loan, the same to be placed in the hands of the Park Commission, for the purpose of providing suitable accommodations at or near the Fish House on Blaney's Beach, for the use of such citizens as are or were actively engaged in the fish-dealing business on said beach before the taking by the Town. Such building or buildings shall be under the control and regulation of the Park Commission, as provided by law (Art. 3); negatived.

*Voted.* To dissolve at 9.20 o'clock.

Attest:

GEO. T. TILL,

*Town Clerk.*



## STATE ELECTION, NOVEMBER 2, 1897.

## TOWN WARRANT.

ESSEX, SS

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Swampscott in  
said County, Greeting:*

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott, qualified to vote in Elections, to meet at Town Hall, in said Swampscott, on Tuesday, the Second day of November next, it being the Tuesday next after the first Monday of said November, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in their votes to the Selectmen on one ballot, for

Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Councillor for the Fifth Essex District, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, Attorney-General, Senator First Essex District, Two Representatives in General Court for Eleventh Essex District, County Commissioner, Register of Deeds, South District, Essex, County Treasurer.

The polls to be kept open until 4 o'clock, P.M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Depots, Post Offices, and three other public and conspicuous places in the town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

*Hereof fail not*, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands, this Fifteenth day of October, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

WILMOT R. HASTINGS,	} <i>Selectmen of Swampscott.</i>
JAMES H. MOULTON,	
GEORGE T. MELZARD,	

SWAMPSCOTT, October 15, 1897.

## RETURN ON THE WARRANT.

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed, I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott, qualified as herein expressed, to meet at the time and place, and for the purposes herein mentioned, by posting up attested copies of this Warrant in fifteen public and conspicuous places in said Swampscott, on Saturday, the twenty-third day of October, 1897.

RICHARD G. GILLEY,

*Constable.*

In accordance with the foregoing Warrant, the voters of the Town met in the Town Hall, on Tuesday, Nov. 2, 1897, and called to order at six o'clock in the forenoon by Wilmot R. Hastings, Chairman of the Selectmen and presiding Election Officer. The Town Clerk read the Warrant calling the meeting and the return thereon.

The package of ballots marked "First set of ballots, Town of Swampscott," was delivered to the presiding Election Officer, who receipted therefor.

Benj. F. Rich (Rep. Inspector) and Jas. T. Lyons (Dem. Inspector) were duly sworn as Ballot Clerks.

The ballots were delivered to the Ballot Clerks after the seal had been broken by the presiding Election Officer.

Cards of Instruction and Specimen Ballots were posted inside the rail and about the hall, in accordance with the law.

The ballot box was opened and declared to be empty; the register was 000. The ballot box was then locked and the keys delivered to the constable in charge.

The polls were declared open at 6.05 A.M. The polls were kept open by vote of the meeting until 4.36 P.M.

The following had been appointed Tellers, and were sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties by the Town Clerk: Oscar F. Morris, Abram G. Stone, Andrew Olsen and Edward H. Thomas (Dem.); John G. Stanley, Chas. T. Jackson, E. M. Tuttle and Frank V. Porter (Rep.)



There were 423 ballots cast, and the same number of checks on voting lists; the ballot box register at close was 458.

At 4.45 P.M. the following result was declared:

#### GOVERNOR.

John Bascom, of Williamstown (P.) . . . . .	7
Thomas C. Brophy, of Boston (S.) . . . . .	3
William Everett, of Quincy (D.N.) . . . . .	9
George Fred Williams, of Dedham (D.) . . . . .	64
Roger Wolcott, of Boston (R.) . . . . .	370
Blanks . . . . .	10

#### LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

Edward A. Buckland, of South Hadley (S.) . . . . .	5
Christopher T. Callahan, of Holyoke (D.) . . . . .	56
James E. Cotter, of Hyde Park (D.N.) . . . . .	11
W. Murray Crane, of Dalton (R.) . . . . .	353
Willard O. Wylie, of Beverly (P.) . . . . .	14
Blanks . . . . .	24

#### SECRETARY.

Addison W. Barr, of Worcester (S.) . . . . .	7
Charles D. Nash, of Whitman (D.) . . . . .	49
William M. Olin, of Boston (R.) . . . . .	358
Edwin Sawtell, of Brockton (P.) . . . . .	7
Bernard M. Wolf, of Boston (D.N.) . . . . .	8
Blanks . . . . .	34

#### TREASURER.

George A. Brown, of Lynn (S.) . . . . .	8
Robert C. Habberley, of Hyde Park (P.) . . . . .	7
Edward P. Shaw, of Newburyport (R.) . . . . .	351
Horace P. Tobey, of Wareham (D.N.) . . . . .	11
Thomas A. Watson, of Braintree (D.) . . . . .	50
Blanks . . . . .	36

## AUDITOR.

Joseph Ballam, of Boston (S.) . . . . .	4
Harry Douglas, of Great Barrington (D.N.) . . . . .	9
John W. Kimball, of Fitchburg (R.) . . . . .	351
Joseph Henry Sheldon, of Haverhill (D.) . . . . .	52
Herbert M. Small, of Templeton (P.) . . . . .	8
Blanks . . . . .	39

## ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Walcott Hamlin, of Amherst (P.) . . . . .	14
William Harrison, of Lawrence (S.) . . . . .	6
Hosea M. Knowlton, of New Bedford (R.) . . . . .	341
William W. McClench, of Chicopee (D. N.) . . . . .	8
John A. O'Keefe, of Lynn (D.) . . . . .	60
Blanks . . . . .	34

## COUNCILLOR — FIFTH DISTRICT.

Horace H. Atherton, of Saugus (R.) . . . . .	358
Jeremiah L. Libby, of Lynn (D.N.) . . . . .	17
Daniel H. Maguire, of Haverhill (D.) . . . . .	45
Blanks . . . . .	43

## SENATOR — FIRST ESSEX DISTRICT.

Daniel B. Beard, of Lynn (D.N.) . . . . .	9
Josiah C. Bennett, of Lynn (R.) . . . . .	343
Charles E. Bishop, of Lynn (P.) . . . . .	14
Charles Allen Taber, of Lynn (D.) . . . . .	55
A. R. Bunting . . . . .	2
Blanks . . . . .	40

REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL COURT — ELEVENTH  
ESSEX DISTRICT.

William B. Gould, of Lynn (D.N.) . . . . .	16
Isaiah Graves, of Lynn (D.N.) . . . . .	18
Edwin Keay, of Swampscott (P.) . . . . .	20
Sidney P. Kenyon, of Lynn (D.) . . . . .	39
Martin E. Nies, of Swampscott (D.) . . . . .	70
J. Warren Osborne, of Lynn (P.) . . . . .	14

James F. Seavey, of Lynn (R.) . . . . .	319
Robert S. Sisson, of Lynn (R.) . . . . .	296
Blanks . . . . .	134

COUNTY COMMISSIONER—ESSEX.

Edward B. Bishop, of Haverhill (R.) . . . . .	354
Daniel Saunders, of Lawrence (D.N ) . . . . .	11
Edward P. Wildes, of Georgetown (D.) . . . . .	48
Blanks . . . . .	50

REGISTER OF DEEDS—ESSEX SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

Willard J. Hale, of Newburyport (D.R.) . . . . .	347
Caleb Lamson, of Lynn (D.N.) . . . . .	34
Blanks . . . . .	82

COUNTY TREASURER—ESSEX.

Nathan Clark, of Lynn (D.) . . . . .	77
E. Kendall Jenkins, of Andover (R.) . . . . .	335
Blanks . . . . .	51

I hereby declare the foregoing to be a true record.

Attest:

GEO. T. TILL,  
*Town Clerk.*

## Town Clerk's Statistics.

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### BIRTHS RECORDED.

Males, 42; Females, 44; total, 86.

In January, 9; February, 8; March, 11; April, 3; May, 6; June, 8; July, 4; August, 7; September, 7; October, 2; November, 15; December, 6.

*Nativity of Fathers* — Massachusetts, 45; Nova Scotia, 10; Maine, 7; Ireland, 5; New York, 4; Italy, 3; New Hampshire, New Brunswick and England, 2 each; Vermont, New Jersey, Ohio, Maryland, Newfoundland and Canada, 1 each.

*Nativity of Mothers* — Massachusetts, 41; Ireland, 9; Nova Scotia, 8; Maine, 7; New York, 4; England and New Brunswick, 3 each; Newfoundland and Italy, 2 each; New Hampshire, Vermont, Ohio, Iowa, Delaware, Prince Edward Island and Canada, 1 each.

Fathers born in Swampscott, 8; Mothers, 7.

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### MARRIAGES RECORDED, 29.

In February, 1; April, 3; May, 2; June, 6; July, 2; September, 2; October, 3; November, 6; December, 4.

*Nativity of Grooms* — Massachusetts, 16; Maine, 6; Ireland, 3; New Hampshire, 2; Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, 1 each.

*Nativity of Brides* — Massachusetts, 11; Nova Scotia, 6; Maine and Ireland, 3 each; New York, New Brunswick, Cape Breton, Sweden, England and Not Known, 1 each.

*Occupation of Grooms* — Clerk and Shoeworkers, 4 each; Merchant, 3; Motorman, Farmer and Carpenter, 2 each; Teamster, Box Manufacturer, Agent, Blacksmith, Laborer, Electrician, Baker, Painter, Coachman, Civil Engineer, Conductor and Paper Hanger, 1 each.

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### DEATHS RECORDED.

Males, 31; Females, 23; total, 54.

In January, 3; February, 9; March, 3; April, 8; May, 1; June, 2; July, 3; August, 5; September, 4; October, 5; November, 7; December, 4.

Under 5 years, 15; 5 to 10, 1; 20 to 30, 7; 30 to 40 3; 40 to 50, 3; 50 to 60, 5; 60 to 70, 5; 70 to 80, 11; 80 to 90, 4.

*Causes* — Consumption and heart disease, 8 each; cancer and still-born, 4 each; pneumonia and apoplexy, 3 each; bronchitis, premature birth, peritonitis, meningitis, old age, Bright's disease and disease of liver, 2 each; appendicitis, septicæmia, thrombosis, inanition, hemorrhage, marasmus, diabetes, paralysis, typhoid fever and smothered, 1 each.

*Seventy years of age and over* — Solomon D. Abbott, 80 yrs. 7 m. 9 d., old age; Nahum Chapin, 77 yrs. 27 d., cancerioma; William P. Eveleth, 80 yrs. 6 m., thrombosis; Benj. M. Green, 79 yrs. 6 m. 3d., heart disease; Elizabeth A. Grosvenor, 81 yrs. 10 m. 9 d., heart failure; Zephaniah K. Harding, 77 yrs. 11 m. 4 d., septicæmia; Sarah C. Hicks, 75 yrs., apoplexy; Jane Quereaux, 79 yrs. 8 m. 5 d., Bright's disease; Robert H. Rogers, 74 yrs., chronic bronchitis; William Rowell, 71 yrs. 6 m. 18 d., cancer of stomach; John L. Seger, 74 yrs. 1 m., heart disease;

Charlotte Stanley, 74 yrs. 6 m., heart disease; Daniel P. Stimpson, 79 yrs. 2 m. 1 d., heart disease; Angeline C. Ware, 73 yrs. 10 m. 15 d., paralysis; Adeline B. Wheeler, 85 yrs. 7 m., old age.

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#### DOGS LICENSED.

Males, 128; Females, 29; total, 157.

Attest:

GEO. T. TILL,

*Town Clerk.*

## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, FEBRUARY 14, 1898.

## TOWN WARRANT.

ESSEX, ss

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Swampscott in  
said County, Greeting:*

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott, qualified to vote in elections, to meet at Town Hall, in said Swampscott, on Monday, the Fourteenth day of February, current, at half-past seven o'clock in the evening, then and there to act upon the following Articles :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator.

ART. 2. To hear and act upon the report or reports of the Committee on Future Water Supply.

ART. 3. To see what action, if any, the Town will take in reference to taking water from the City of Lynn.

ART. 4. To see if the Town is in favor of the purchase of the property of the Marblehead Water Company, and if so to ascertain the sense of the meeting as to what price should be paid therefor.

ART. 5. To see what action, if any, the Town will cause to be taken before the Legislature in reference to certain bills which are intended to affect the rights of the Town of Swampscott in securing a supply of water.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Depots, Post Offices, and three other public and conspicuous places in the Town, seven days at least before the day of holding said meeting.

*Hereof fail not*, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this Seventh day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

WILMOT R. HASTINGS, } *Selectmen*  
JAMES H. MOULTON, } *of*  
GEORGE T. MELZARD, } *Swampscott.*

A true copy. Attest:

RICHARD G. GILLEY,  
*Constable.*

#### RETURN ON THE WARRANT.

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed, I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott, qualified, as herein expressed, to meet at the time and place and for the purpose herein mentioned, by posting up attested copies of said Warrant at the Town Hall, Depots, Post Offices, and eight other public and conspicuous places in said Swampscott, on Monday, the Seventh day of February, in the year 1898, the posting of said notices being seven days before the time of said meeting.

RICHARD G. GILLEY,  
*Constable of Swampscott.*

In accordance with the foregoing Warrant, the voters of the Town assembled at the Town Hall, on Monday evening, Feb. 18, 1898.

The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk, at 7.30 o'clock, the Warrant calling the meeting and return thereon was read.

Balloting for Moderator was immediately commenced, and continued for five minutes, resulting as follows: Fred C. Marsh, 18, elected; John R. Merritt, 14.

Fred C. Marsh was immediately qualified for the position by the Town Clerk.



## REPORT No. 1 ON FUTURE WATER SUPPLY.

*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

At a Special Town Meeting held Sept. 30, 1897, it was voted as follows: That the Committee on Future Water Supply be and is hereby directed to make the following proposition to the Marblehead Water Co. for the purchase of its corporate property and all the rights, privileges, easements, lands, waters, water rights, dams, reservoirs, pipes, engines, boilers, machinery, fixtures, hydrants, tools and all appliances owned by said company, at a price to be fixed by three commissioners, each to be appointed by the mutual agreement of said Marblehead Water Company and the Committee on Future Water Supply, and in case said company and said committee, after conference, shall be unable to agree upon such commissioners, application may be made to the Supreme Judicial Court by said company or said committee, and after notice to the parties, said commissioners shall be appointed by said court, or any justice thereof, and said commissioners shall determine the fair value of said property upon the following basis, viz.:

1. The commissioners shall determine the fair value of said property for the purposes of its use by said Town, and their award, or the award of a majority of them, when made, shall be final. Such value shall be estimated without enhancement on account of past, present or future earning capacity or good-will, or on account of the franchise or any privilege of said company.

2. The expenses of the commission shall be paid equally by the Marblehead Water Company and the Town of Swampscott.

3. Provided this proposition is accepted by the Marblehead Water Company, the acceptance shall be in form satisfactory to the Town counsel.

4. The proposition shall be void and of no effect unless a satisfactory acceptance thereof shall have been filed with the Town Clerk of Swampscott, or the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen of Swampscott, within sixty days after its adoption by vote of the Town.

5. The formal transfer of the said property of the Marblehead Water Company shall not be effected unless such transfer is authorized by special or general legislation, and a good and clear title given, free from all incumbrances.

6. If the proposition is not accepted, the Town's rights and interests in future will not be affected by reason of this offer.

7. All details as to form of agreement, mode and details of reference and hearing, and all terms and conditions not herein specified to be left to the discretion and determination of said committee.

*Voted.* That the Committee on Future Water Supply be and is hereby directed to confer at once with the Metropolitan Water Board to see upon what terms a supply of water for all Town, domestic and other purposes can be secured, and to submit at a special meeting, to be held ——— any proposition and all propositions which it may obtain; and said committee is hereby further directed to prepare, under direction of the Town counsel, such bills as will be necessary to present to the next General Court to enable the Town to acquire and operate its own water plant; and said committee is hereby further directed to have prepared estimates of such construction as is necessary to complete and perfect a water system for the Town's immediate needs and for the future requirements. In accordance with the instructions embodied in these votes, your committee, immediately, by and with the advise of counsel, submitted to the Marblehead Water Company a proposition substantially as voted by the Town. Your committee also asked for, and obtained an interview with the Metropolitan Water Board, and the result of that conference fully justifies your committee in the opinion, that the possibility of the Town obtaining a supply from the Metropolitan source is entirely out of the question until such time as the Town shall own its entire pipe system, or shall have acquired the works of the local water company. At the expiration of sixty days, the extreme limit allowed the Marblehead Water Company to accept or reject the proposition voted by the Town and submitted by the committee, your committee received notice (indirectly) through counsel for the company, that the Town's proposition

could not be accepted by said company, but that the company were willing, and anxious, to negotiate with the committee looking to an amicable adjustment of the situation. After repeated interviews with representatives of the company, we have obtained practically a verbal offer from said representatives to sell their entire property to the Town for the sum of \$100,000, this being \$82,500 less than the original price asked.

Your committee also gave notice as required by law, five weeks before the convening of the State Legislature, that the Town would petition the incoming Legislature for special Act, giving to the Town the right to be admitted into the Metropolitan Water District without being subject to the condition that it shall acquire the property of the Marblehead Water Company, or any portion thereof, and also for such legislation as would enable the Town to acquire, own and operate its own water system, to take land and water for said purpose, by purchase or otherwise, and to do all other acts to enable the Town to supply itself and its inhabitants with pure water. By advice of counsel it was deemed inexpedient to present bills relative to these matters. For solution of this question of Future Water Supply for the Town, there are in the opinion of your committee but *three* propositions for the Town to consider at this time, viz.: A contract or agreement with the Marblehead Water Company to supply the Town and the inhabitants from its present or prospective sources; a contract with the City of Lynn to furnish such part of the Town as is situated on the lines of the Town piping; the direct purchase of the plant of the Marblehead Water Company, together with all its rights and privileges pertaining thereto. To make another contract with the Marblehead Water Company would, in the opinion of your committee, be neither wise, prudent nor desirable; we therefore do not recommend it. As to making a contract with the City of Lynn for a supply from its present sources, your committee feel that inasmuch as the State Board of Health have failed to approve of the taking of water from the Lynn works, and have raised the danger signal as to the water of Saugus river, a part of the Lynn system, and as the water in other respects is of a poor quality (*See State Board of Health*

*Report*) and entirely unsatisfactory as a drinking water to the citizens of Lynn themselves, to the extent that thousands of gallons of water from Swampscott are sold daily in the factories, railway station, private residences and on the public streets and ways of Lynn for drinking purposes, they cannot in view of all these facts consistently recommend making a contract with the City of Lynn for supplying the Town, or a part thereof, with water from its present sources, believing such recommendation unjustifiable. Direct purchase of the property, right, privilege, etc., of the Marblehead Water Company seems to be the proper course for the Town to pursue. Any other course, our counsel warn us, is likely to result in very considerable litigation and large attorney fees; therefore your committee, believing it both wise and judicious, would recommend that the Town instruct its committee to at once open negotiations with the Marblehead Water Company looking to the purchase of their property, rights, privileges, etc., at a price which can be mutually agreed upon and report at a Special Town Meeting to be called prior to the date of the Annual Town Meeting, for the ratification or rejection of such agreement as may be concluded between company and committee.

Relative to vote whereby the Town directed the committee to have prepared estimate of such construction as is necessary to complete and perfect a water system for the Town's immediate needs and future requirements, your committee herewith present the report of Mr. Freeman C. Coffin, a civil engineer employed by your committee for the purpose we have hereinbefore indicated.

E. F. SMALL,  
ARTHUR F. FOSTER,  
MARTIN E. NIES,  
JAS. H. MOULTON,  
GEO. T. MELZARD.

## REPORT No. 2 ON FUTURE WATER SUPPLY.

*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

Your committee beg to report, that, as directed by vote passed at the Special Town Meeting held Sept. 30, last, we duly forwarded to the Marblehead Water Company the proposition as amended and passed at said meeting for the purchase by the Town of the property of said company. We did not receive any formal communication from the company within sixty days, the time specified in the vote, but on the last day we were notified by our counsel that informal notice had been received by them through the counsel for the Water Company that the proposition had not and would not be accepted.

By the action of the company in taking the matter of negotiating for sale of its property out of the hands of those who, up to that time had represented the company's interests, and placing its interests in the hands of counsel, the committee was of the opinion that the interests of the Town demanded the employment of counsel as authorized, and Messrs. Niles & Carr have been more actively engaged on the case since that time, Nov. 30, than before.

The committee and the Marblehead Water Company having thus failed to reach a satisfactory basis upon which the property of the company could be purchased by the Town by reference to a commission, efforts were at once made by the committee to ascertain at what price the property could be secured by direct purchase. To this end numerous conferences were held between representatives of the parties in interest which have resulted in our securing an informal statement from the civil engineer of the company, who claims to speak with authority, that an offer of \$100,000 by the Town for the company's property would be accepted, and that the property cannot be purchased at a lower price.

While your committee cannot submit any offer of the company to sell its property to the Town, which will bind the company in any way, we will assume that the suggestion of the engineer as to the price at which the property can be purchased



is an indication of the company's position. The Town is therefore brought face to face with the question, "Does it want to purchase, *at this time*, the property of the Marblehead Water Company for \$100,000, or does it not? If not, what action will it take?"

For the information and guidance of the Town, we have to advise that, as authorized by the Town, an engineer was engaged who submitted a voluminous report which, up to this time, under advice of counsel, has not been published. This report makes a recommendation that if the property of the company cannot be purchased for less than \$100,000, he would advise the Town to take it at that price. He also estimates the present value of the property of the Marblehead Company, if supply is obtained from the Metropolitan Water Works, at \$35,252, in which is included real estate valued at \$8,000.

In view, however, that in the same report the engineer states that the entire property of the company could be reproduced or duplicated to-day for \$88,613, and that on account of higher values for material and labor at the time the plant was built, it only cost ten per cent. more, or about \$97,000, it seemed desirable to your committee that an opportunity should be given the engineer to make further explanation as to the reasons for his recommendation that the town now pay \$100,000 for a property which he estimated could not have cost over \$97,000. As to the accuracy of his estimates, it may be proper and well to state at this time, that we have been informed by the company's engineer that the books show the cost of the property to have been about \$110,000, but it is admitted that this amount includes cost of work done under blanket contract.

At a recent meeting of the committee, the engineer engaged to represent the Town was present, and in answer to enquiries stated that the highest price he would place on the corporeal property of the company, basing his estimate on cost of plant, less depreciation, was \$52,400, and that every dollar in excess of this amount which the Town might pay would represent earning capacity, good-will or franchise. As the Marblehead Company had indicated to the committee that these possible elements of

value would be eliminated as factors in a basis for an award which commissioners might make, and as they had been eliminated by the Legislature in the Newburyport, Stoneham and Gloucester acts, there seemed to your committee no reason why we should consider them as having a value.

With these facts, and such further explanation as the members of the committee can give, we believe the Town can now pass on the only question which has thus far been raised in this report, "Will it purchase at this time the property of the Marblehead Company for \$100,000?"

We must call the attention of the Town to the fact that whether it now purchases this property or not, the question of future supply of water is still open and undetermined, for it is a fact that the purchase of the property of the Marblehead Water Company will not give to the Town a supply of water for future requirements. This is clearly established, and neither the engineer, nor anyone else representing the Water Company, has denied it. It is only necessary to add in this report, that the application of the Marblehead Water Company to the Metropolitan Water Board for a supply of water from its source, confirms the opinion held by the members of your committee.

We thus reach for consideration the second problem, which, from the peculiar condition of affairs now existing here, presents two separate and distinct issues. These are —

1st. Will the Town own its own water plant?

2nd. Where will it get its water?

The ownership of a water plant by the Town can be accomplished by either the purchase of the property of the Marblehead Water Company or by the extension of our present pipe system. If we purchase the property of the Marblehead Water Company we are asked to pay \$100,000 for that which is not worth over \$50,000. If we extend our present pipe system we are threatened by the Marblehead Water Company's representatives with litigation.

There is no question in our judgment that the Town can better secure a modern and well equipped plant, by extending its

present system, than by the purchase of the plant of the Marblehead Company, and it is for the Town to determine whether it will make further enquiry as to the probable cost of extending its present system before deciding to purchase the property of the Marblehead Water Company. Your committee cannot recommend the purchase of the property of the Marblehead Water Company at \$100,000 at this time. We do recommend, however, the adoption of the accompanying vote.

GEO. ALBREE,  
WILMOT R. HASTINGS,  
PELEG GARDNER,  
A. R. BUNTING,  
E. H. KITFIELD.

*Whereas*, the Marblehead Water Company has petitioned the General Court of the Commonwealth for legislation which will require any city or town, before it can be supplied with water from the Metropolitan system of water supply, to first acquire the works of any water company in such city or town constructed for the purpose of supplying such city or town, or its inhabitants, with water; and also another petition praying that Chapter 283 of the Acts of the year 1884, and all other acts or parts of acts authorizing the City of Lynn to supply the Town of Swampscott, or its inhabitants, with water, be repealed; and

*Whereas*, the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott most emphatically oppose this proposed legislation, and deem it important that the interests of the Town should be looked after as to any legislation that may come before the present General Court, relating to matters which may affect the Town of Swampscott as to a water supply; it is therefore

*Voted*. That the Committee on Future Water Supply be and hereby is authorized and directed to use all lawful and proper means to defeat the above-mentioned proposed legislation, and to employ counsel to represent the Town at any hearing that may be granted upon either of said petitions; and the members of the General Court are hereby respectfully and earnestly requested to refuse the legislation which said petitions seek to secure; and

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the said committee is hereby further authorized and directed to look after any other legislation that now, is or may hereafter come before the present General Court, affecting the interests of the Town of Swampscott as to a water supply, and to take such action in relation thereto as they deem advisable and proper, and to employ counsel to represent the Town at any hearing that may be granted relating thereto.

*Motion.* That the reports of the Water Committee be accepted and that the thanks of the Town be extended to said committee for their services, and that the matter of water supply be referred to the Selectmen with full power to purchase the water works, franchise, and all property now owned by the Marblehead Water Company, in accordance with proposal submitted, providing that the amount for said purchase does not exceed \$100,000, the money to be raised by the issue of water bonds, State loan, or notes, as the Selectmen may decide. In case of failure of the Selectmen and said Water Company to make a transfer, it is further moved that the Selectmen be authorized to contract with said company for a supply of water for the Town for a period not exceeding five years, at the best terms possible, but that the option of the purchase or contract be left with the Selectmen to act in the matter as in their judgment is for the best interest of the Town, and report at their earliest convenience, was negatived.

*Voted.* To adopt report No. 2 of Future Water Supply Committee.

*Voted.* To lay Art. 3 upon the table.

*Resolved and Voted.* That the Committee on Future Water Supply of the Town of Swampscott, be and is hereby instructed and authorized to at once open negotiations with the Marblehead Water Company, looking to the purchase of their property, rights, privileges, etc., at a price which can be mutually agreed upon, and report at a Special Town Meeting to be called prior to the date of the Annual Town Meeting, for the ratification or rejection of such agreement as may be concluded between the company and the Town Committee on Future Water Supply.

*Voted.* To adopt resolution accompanying Report No. 2, as follows :

*Whereas*, the Marblehead Water Company has petitioned the General Court of the Commonwealth for legislation which will require any city or town, before it can be supplied with water from the Metropolitan system of water supply, to first acquire the works of any water company in such city or town constructed for the purpose of supplying such city or town, or its inhabitants, with water; and also another petition praying that Chapter 283 of the Acts of the year 1884, and all other acts or parts of acts authorizing the City of Lynn to supply the Town of Swampscott, or its inhabitants, with water, be repealed; and

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*Motion*. To take Art. 3 from the table.

*Voted*. To dissolve at 8.20 P. M.

Attest:

GEO. T. TILL,

*Town Clerk.*

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## List of Jurors.

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Prepared and posted by the Selectmen, for the consideration of the Town at the Annual Meeting, March 21, 1898.

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ALBREE, JOHN JR.	KEEFE, JOHN F.
ASHTON, HERMAN F.	MERRITT, JOHN R.
BLANCHARD, GEORGE H.	NIES, MARTIN E.
BONNEY, FRANK L.	NISBETT, DAVID W.
BRADFORD, FRANK H.	PARKER, SAMUEL R.
BURDETTE, MELVIN W.	PORTER, SAMUEL M.
CONNER, GEORGE M.	PEDRICK, BENJAMIN G.
COWDREY, WILLIAM C.	PORTER, MILTON D.
CULLEN, HENRY N.	RICH, BENJAMIN F.
CURTIN, JAMES H.	ROWE, ALLEN S.
DOUGHTY, WILLIS E.	SPINNEY, JOSEPH D.
DOUGLASS, SYLVESTER F.	STUBBS, WHITFIELD A.
EASTMAN, ENOCH S.	STANLEY, JOHN G.
EVANS, CHARLES E.	THOMAS, JAMES
HOWES, FREEMAN	THOMAS, JOHN C.
HOVEY, GEORGE H.	TUTTLE, EDGAR M.
HARRIS, CHARLES E.	ULMAN, ISAAC A.
HUTT, WILLIAM D.	VARINA, WILLIAM W.
JACKSON, CHARLES T.	WEBSTER, GEORGE C.
JEFFERS, CHARLES P.	WIDGER, JAMES H.

## Report of the Selectmen.

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*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

In dealing with the complex interests of a municipality like ours, it can hardly be expected that those upon whom the burden of authority has been laid could administer its affairs without giving offense to some one. Nevertheless, if your Selectmen can be assured that their sincere efforts to work for the best interests of the Town are in the main approved by a majority of its citizens, they will feel that they have not labored in vain. The year just drawing to a close has brought its full share of perplexing questions. One of the first to receive attention was that relating to

### THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

An attempt was made to lift this department out of the slough of offensive partisanship. Seth C. Kendrick was appointed Chief, and the force was exhorted to a strict attention to duty, avoiding any undue prominence in factional movements or disputes. Their work has been satisfactory, and they have attended quietly to their duties without ostentatious display. While we have had no complaints concerning members of the force, we have, on the contrary, received for them words of commendation from our townspeople.

### ILLEGAL LIQUOR SELLING.

The Selectmen directed the Chief of Police to exert his best efforts to stop the illegal sale of liquor, which had been going on for so long a time unmolested. After a time necessary evidence

was obtained, and three convictions were secured. The movement in this direction has been successful, and we believe the traffic has been stopped, but a watchful eye is still open for offenses in this direction.

#### THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

As the terms of office in this department expire May 1, no attempt was made to institute changes until that time, when a new Board of Engineers was appointed. The call men then left in a body, regardless of possible consequences. This action was not only a serious menace to the safety of the Town but was totally unnecessary, as many had been requested to remain. Foreseeing this possibility, however, the Selectmen had arranged with Chief Downing, of Lynn, to respond to all Swampscott alarms, and he at once placed at the Town's disposal the facilities of his department. For several weeks the property of Swampscott was thus protected, and the Board desires to publicly express to Chief Downing its gratitude for his kind offers of assistance. Meanwhile the new men who had been enrolled were afforded time for training.

Results have demonstrated the wisdom of the changes made. Whereas our people had been accustomed to witness the rescue of cellars, the new department has been saving the buildings. If any change has been made in rates of insurance, they are, if anything, lower than ever before. In fact, we are informed that lower rates on dwelling house risks went into effect this present month.

Unpaid bills of this department, some being of many months standing, and amounting to \$722.71, were left over from last year and had to be paid out of this year's appropriation.

The policy was adopted this year of working the fire department horses on the public streets. This has been generally commended. Care was taken to have some of the horses always in the engine house, and the others worked where they could quickly return if needed. The details of the Engineers' Report will prove interesting.



## IMPORTANT IMPROVEMENTS.

The liability to accident at the ledge in Redington street, called for the removal of the obstruction. This has been accomplished, and the street is graded in a proper and careful manner, leaving it now safe for public travel.

The open drain on Humphrey street, at the Marshall estate, has been covered over and made safe, a 24-inch pipe drain being laid. Much of the fence here was out in the street and has been moved back to the street line. The sidewalk, which had previously been a source of danger, has been made safe. Taken as a whole, this is in our opinion an improvement of great value. It also removes the necessity of frequent repairs, and this will eventually effect a saving.

Street crossings have been laid, as voted, in Railroad avenue and Burrill, Phillips and Redington streets. A representative of the Board was courteously received by Supt. Perkins of the Boston & Maine railroad, and the interview resulted in the payment of nearly \$100 by that corporation towards defraying the expense of the Railroad avenue crossing.

The new fence on Essex street has removed a great liability to accident and consequent suits for damages, and has at the same time much improved the appearance of that thoroughfare.

## THE STATE HIGHWAY.

As instructed by the Town, legislative hearings were attended by the Selectmen, in aid of the "North Shore" State road, from Boston to Newburyport. This Board has, by all means in its power, assisted in helping on this important work. It has caused an accurate survey to be made, and a petition was then presented to the State Highway Commission, as provided by statute, praying that the highway be laid out as shown. This preliminary action is necessary before any work can be done. It may not perhaps be generally considered that the Town must pay its proportion of the amount appropriated by the State, whether the work is done in Berkshire county or in Essex. Therefore, without the payment of a cent additional, excepting

the comparatively small sum expended for preliminary survey, the Town will soon be in possession of a beautiful drive, from the pumping station to Vinnin square, through Paradise woods, this being a connecting link of the great highway. Incidentally, we may say that the authorities of Salem are just commencing to see the value of this great public improvement, and are taking steps looking toward its advancement within the limits of that city.

#### PURCHASE OF PROCTOR LOT.

A clear title to the Proctor lot, adjoining the Town Hall, has been obtained, as voted by the Town. It is probable that in the near future the buildings on the lot, which are in a dilapidated condition, should be removed or torn down and the lot cleared.

#### CEMETERY IMPROVEMENT.

As the appointed committee was unsuccessful in its attempt to purchase Alden Southworth's land, adjoining the cemetery, and as the sentiment of the Town was opposed to further action in that direction, unless the land could be bought at a price which was, in the opinion of the committee, favorable to the Town's interests, no action has been taken by the Selectmen towards borrowing money. There has been no pressing need the past year for cemetery improvement. The Board recommends, however, that the sum of \$700 be appropriated, to be expended during the coming season in laying out and partly developing the unoccupied land now owned by the Town. This amount would admit of a comprehensive survey and plan being made, leaving sufficient funds for a substantial start in constructing avenues and laying out lots. At moderate cost, from year to year, the work can be carried along on the same plan, as lots are needed. The Town has over two acres of land available for this purpose.

#### LAYING OUT STREETS.

Petitions have been received that certain streets be laid out by the Selectmen. Of these, Berkshire and Hampden streets are in the territory of the Stetson Land Co.; Monument avenue,



Elmwood road, Thomas road, Andrew road and Farragut road are within the bounds of the Swampscott Land Trust. Action on laying out these streets has been deferred, in the hope that the water question might first be settled. The Town counsel has advised us that it would be wiser for the Town not to accept any streets in these two private estates until after the water question has been decided, so as not to do anything that may under any circumstances complicate the situation. This Board sees no other good reason why these streets should not be accepted. It seems possible that a solution of the water question may soon be reached. Therefore the streets have been laid out, leaving the Town to decide upon the time when it may seem best to accept them.

A petition was received, asking that a street be laid out from Orient street, opposite the "Little Anawan," to Humphrey street, opposite Glen road. It seemed inexpedient to incur the necessary large expense at this time, and the petitioners were given leave to withdraw.

#### SURFACE WATER IN ESSEX STREET.

Water in Essex street, between the cemetery and the head of Stetson avenue, has heretofore been allowed to run into a vacant lot, where it remained until it soaked away. The owners desired to build upon this land, and took away the privilege hitherto enjoyed by the Town. How to be rid of the water was a problem; but after much effort an arrangement was finally effected with the trustees of the Stetson Land Co., by which they allowed a connection to be made with their drain. This caused a material addition to the expense of the Highway department.

#### APPROPRIATIONS.

We recommend that the following amounts for the various departments be appropriated for the current year:

Selectmen's Department . . . . .	\$4,500 00
Highway Department . . . . .	5,500 00
School Department . . . . .	16,000 00

Health Department . . . . .	2,000 00
Police . . . . .	4,500 00
Poor Department . . . . .	3,000 00
Fire Department . . . . .	Receipts and 5,000 00
Town Hall . . . . .	Receipts and 900 00
Catch Basin and Gutter . . . . .	500 00
Sidewalks . . . . .	1,000 00
Concrete and Curbstones . . . . .	500 00
Assessors' Maps . . . . .	1,010 00
Cemetery . . . . .	650 00
Library . . . . .	Dog Tax Receipts and 450 00
Care Monument Lot . . . . .	35 00
Memorial Day . . . . .	100 00
Water Rates . . . . .	750 00
Soldiers' and Sailors' Aid . . . . .	500 00
Interest . . . . .	3,800 00
State Tax (estimated) . . . . .	4,500 00
County Tax (estimated) . . . . .	5,500 00

WILMOT R. HASTINGS, } *Selectmen*  
 JAMES H. MOULTON, } *of*  
 GEORGE T. MELZARD, } *Swampscott.*

## Report of the School Committee.

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*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

In presenting our Annual Report, we renew our gratitude for the continued co-operation of parents and citizens. We assure you that your interest is having a very marked effect upon our schools, and greatly lightening the burden of committee and teachers. Our schools are in excellent condition and improving every year. Our boys and girls seem to be alive to the fact that to go out into the world without an education would be like a ship putting to sea without rudder or compass. We quote the following from the State Board of Education, showing what our State is doing for the Public Schools.

“The State has about three and one-half times as many inhabitants as fifty years ago, nine times as much property, and expends exclusively, for school maintenance, eleven times as much money. That is to say, the people have increased in wealth nearly three times as fast as they have increased in number, and have shown their growing regard for education by increasing their expenditures for schools even more rapidly than they have grown in wealth. Does it all pay? Attention has already been called, in a previous report, to the significant earning power of Massachusetts people, as shown by census statistics, the average being 73 cents a day for every man, woman and child, as against an average of 40 cents a day for each person in the whole country. This excess of 33 cents a day means \$100 a year for each inhabitant of Massachusetts, or \$250,000,000 a year for the entire population, — an amount so large that the annual expenditure for education, which is about one twenty-fifth of that sum, seems

relatively insignificant. Thoughtful men attribute this vast excess of wealth-producing power to that intelligence, self-reliance and character that are so well nurtured under Massachusetts influences and largely in her public schools. The expenditure for schools, if we measure results in a mere utilitarian way, seems, therefore, to pay for itself many times over. When we look further, however, we see returns of a more exalted kind in the expansion of the human mind, in its deeper insight into the realm of nature, in its better comprehension of social and civic duties, in the opening of new and perennial springs for its refreshment and enjoyment—in everything, indeed, that makes for its larger and richer life,—returns not yielded by every school, but coming, in a large way, from the schools as a whole. Whatever one's material earnings and possessions, it remains true that the only world he actually lives in, the only kingdom that is really his, is the kingdom of his own mind. As life is worth living, this kingdom is worth extending and enriching; and the public schools, therefore, which is the most potent and persistent contributor to the wealth of this kingdom, is equally worth supporting and perfecting."

#### TEACHERS.

Our teachers are still performing faithful and conscientious service.

There have been two changes during the year. We were obliged to open a first grade school at Pine street to relieve Miss Verry, whose school was much too large for one teacher. This has given us an opportunity to separate the grades, which we are doing as fast as practicable. We appointed Miss Charlotte Bain, a graduate of the Salem Normal School, as teacher of the first grade, leaving Miss Verry with the second and third grades. We also were obliged to relieve Miss Ellis, teacher of the Redington Street Primary, whose school came under Section 14 of Chapter 44 of the Public Statutes, which reads as follows:

"In every public school having an average of fifty scholars, the school district or town to which such school belongs, shall employ one or more female assistants, unless such district or town votes to dispense with such assistant."

We appointed Miss Edith Farnum as assistant in this school.

We think we shall be obliged to change the school district lines next spring, in order to further relieve the Essex and Pine street schools, and it may necessitate the opening of a first grade school in the Redington street building, which can be accomplished with the same teaching force we have at present. The following figures will show how our schools are increasing: In 1891 our school membership was 434, in 1898, 677, a gain of 243 in seven years.

#### TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

We are glad to be able to report that the words of caution regarding the destruction of books and supplies which were inserted in our report of last year have had the desired effect. We hope that the same care and prudence will be used the coming year.

#### MUSIC AND DRAWING.

These branches are still under the charge of Miss Elizabeth A. Bill. It is surprising to see the steady gain that has been going on in this department for the past seven years. It is a pleasure to listen to the singing of our school children and to see how much it adds to the general exercises. The home and the church are also benefited by this training. In drawing, the same improvement is noted. Color work has been taken up the past year with good success. Some fine work is on exhibition in the corridors of the Phillips School, and has been pronounced by experts to be very creditable. We hope the citizens and parents will find time to examine it.

#### OBSERVANCE OF HOLIDAYS.

It is customary to appropriately observe the several holidays, Memorial Day and Christmas receiving the most attention. On Memorial Day the Grand Army were present and occupied seats on the platform. An address was delivered by Capt. Henry M. Comey, giving a record of the soldiers and sailors from Swampscott who served in the army and navy in the rebellion. An interesting feature was the presentation to the Phillips School in

behalf of the Grand Army of a cannon which was taken from the Gun Boat Ossipee that served in the South Atlantic Squadron during the war. Remarks were made by the Chairman of the School Board, also Capt. Eldridge F. Small and others. This occasion we feel sure will be remembered by the boys and girls long after the Grand Army have answered to the long roll call. Christmas was celebrated with recitations and singing appropriate to the season. A large number of parents and friends were present who manifested a deep interest and spoke words of appreciation which we assure them are very helpful to both teachers and scholars.

#### CHEMICAL LABORATORY.

At the last Annual Town Meeting there was appropriated the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars to build and equip a Chemical Laboratory.

Your Committee felt very grateful for this generous appropriation as it enabled them to place our High School in this department on a first class basis and above criticism. We accepted the plans of Holman K. Wheeler, architect of the Phillips School.

The contract was awarded to Messrs. Titus & Poor as the lowest bidders. The work was performed in a satisfactory manner.

We think it best not to fully equip the Laboratory at present but to select from time to time the most improved apparatus. We hope our fellow townsmen will visit the Laboratory, for we feel sure they will appreciate it.

#### SANITARY CONDITION.

We have effected a change in the sanitary condition of the Essex Street School by the removal of the out-buildings from the rear to a proper distance on the east side. Up to the present time we had seen no bad effect from their nearness to the School building, but we did not think it prudent to allow them to remain longer.

We have reason to be grateful for the healthful condition of our schools. Your committee attribute this in part to the cleanly condition of school buildings and grounds.



We see that they are thoroughly cleaned and disinfected at least twice a year. Out of a membership of 677 pupils, we have had but one death during the year and that was caused by an accident. Can Swampscott be called an unhealthy town?

#### REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS.

We have had but very little to do the present year outside of the ordinary repairs. We were obliged to shingle the Reddington Street school-house, build a retaining wall on the Geo. H. Holden line, Mr. Holden bearing his share of the expense; also lay a stone gutter in the Essex Street school yard. The Phillips School grounds have been improved by the planting of shrubbery. We hope soon to be able to grade the rear of the lot, as it would give the scholars a good play ground. It is the endeavor of your Committee not to be extravagant in the way of improvements and repairs, but to expend a sufficient amount each year to keep the buildings and grounds in good order.

#### GIFTS TO PHILLIPS SCHOOL.

Subject.	By whom presented.
ALEXANDER'S TRIUMPH, Bas-Relief . . . .	Class 1900, High School
MOUNTAIN OF THE HOLY CROSS, Colored Photo. . . .	Class '97, Grade VIII
HIGHLAND CATTLE, Engraving . . . . .	Class '97, Grade VII
23 BOOKS FOR SCHOOL LIBRARY . . . . .	Class '97, Grade VII
APPOLLO BELVIDERE, Bust . . . . .	Class '97, Grade VI
THREE STUFFED BIRDS . . . . .	Class '97, Grade VI
STUFFED SQUIRREL . . . . .	Class '97, Grade VI
THE DOOR OF THE FOLD, Photograph . . . . .	Class '97, Grade V
75 BOOKS FOR SCHOOL LIBRARY . . . . .	Class '97, Grade V
GRAND CANAL, VENICE, Colored Photograph . . . . .	Class '97, Grades IV and V
40 LIBRARY BOOKS . . . . .	Class '97, Grades IV and V
33 LIBRARY BOOKS . . . . .	Class '97, Grade IV
BOOKS AND PAPERS . . . . .	Mrs. O. M. Smith
BOOKS . . . . .	Mrs. M. E. Newhall
BOOK . . . . .	Miss L. Galeucia
BOOK . . . . .	Miss M. C. Jackson



## GRADUATION EXERCISES.

Graduation Exercises of the Swampscott High School, at Phillips School Hall, Wednesday evening, June 23, 1897, commencing at 7.45 o'clock.

INVOCATION . . . . . *Rev. George A. Jackson*

SONG—"Away to the Fields" . . . . . *Boy Chorus*

DECLAMATION—"Extract from a Speech of Senator Lodge,  
on 'Cuban Resolution'" . . . . . *Ralph E. Maxfield*

ORATION—"Cuba" . . . . . *Herbert T. Curtis*

SONG—"Heave Ho" (A Sea Yarn) . . . . . *Benj. E. Getchell*

ESSAY—"Three Celebrated Women of the French Revolution" . . . . . *M. Louise Ashton*

RECITATION—"The Street Musician" . . . . . *Annie V. Bergin*

SONG—"Anchored" . . . . . *Boy Chorus*

DECLAMATION—"Extract from Speech of Senator Thurston,  
on the 'Monroe Doctrine'" . . . . . *William B. Phillips*

POEM—"Class Prophecy" . . . . . *Blanch P. Bassett*

SONG—"The Skylark" . . . . . *G. Herbert Murphy*

ORATION—"The Heavens in June" . . . . . *Benj. E. Getchell*

SONG—"The Alpine Shepherd" . . . . . *Boy Chorus*

VALEDICTORY ESSAY—"Modern Scotch Fiction" . . . . . *Maude F. Alden*

SONG—"Graduates' Farewell" . . . . . *Class of '97*

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS BY CHAIRMAN OF THE SCHOOL BOARD.

PRESENTATION OF PHILLIPS MEDALS.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF HONORS gained in the Phillips School during the year, EDWIN M. BAILEY.

## GRADUATES.

*Classical Course*—MAUDE FRANCES ALDEN.

*Latin Scientific Course*—MARTHA LOUISE ASHTON, BLANCH PROCTOR BASSETT.

*English Course*—BENJAMIN EVERETT GETCHELL, HERBERT THOMAS CURTIS.

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*Special Course*—ANNIE VERONICA BERGIN.

*Partial Course*—WILLIAM BENJAMIN PHILLIPS, RALPH EVERETT MAXFIELD.

### Selected List for 1897.

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PUPILS WHOSE RANK IN ALL STUDIES AVERAGED A.

MAUDE F. ALDEN,	ANNA F. WILLEY,
ROY E. CRANE,	MIRA M. SOUTHWORTH,
LILLIAN A. PATTEN,	GRACE N. TAYLOR,
OLIVE W. WILLEY,	HORACE C. HOLDEN,
JAMES M. McNAMARA,	BLANCH E. WEBSTER,
BESSIE L. BUTTERWORTH,	ELSIE M. HUSSEY,
PRUDENCE W. POTTER,	W. PERCY NORCROSS.

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### Roll of Honor for 1897.

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PUPILS WHO HAVE BEEN NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY DURING THE YEAR.

C. HENRY HOLBROOK,	G. BERTRAM GILMAN,
BENJAMIN B. BLANCHARD,	DELMONT D. COLE,
HERBERT E. CAHOON,	GRACE E. HOLMES,
FLORENCE E. MARSH,	GEORGE T. POOR.

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### Phillips Medals Presented to Pupils of the High School.

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*Gold Medal*, for Superior Scholarship, MAUDE F. ALDEN.

*Silver Medal*, for Excellence in English Composition and Declamation, GRANVILLE INGALLS.

*Two Silver Medals* for Superior Deportment, ADDIE L. PHILLIPS, SARAH J. FINNEGAN.

(*Medal Reinscribed*), ANNIE V. BERGIN.

(*Certificate*), ERNEST A. KNOWLES.

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### Scale of Salaries for Teachers.

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- Grammar* — 4 or more years' experience (maximum), \$600.  
*Primary* — 3 or more years' experience (maximum), \$450.  
*Primary* — 2 years' experience, \$400.  
*Primary* — 1 year's experience, \$350.  
*Primary* — No previous experience, \$300.
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### Holidays for the School Year.

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- Washington's Birthday.  
Patriot's Day, Tuesday, April 19th.  
Memorial Day.  
Seventeenth of June.  
Labor Day.  
Thanksgiving recess, beginning Wednesday noon.
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### Calendar for School Year, 1898.

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- Winter Term*, 1898, begins Jan. 3; closes Feb. 25.  
*Spring Term*, 1898, begins March 7; closes April 29.  
*Summer Term*, 1898, begins May 9; closes June 30.  
*Fall Term*, 1898, begins Sept. 6; closes Dec. 23.  
*Winter Term*, 1899, begins Jan. 1.

## Corps of Teachers, January, 1898.

Name.	School.	Date of Appointment.
Gardner P. Balch . .	Phillips { High . . . . High . . . . Asst. . . . Grade VIII. . . . Grade VII. . . . Grade VI. . . . Grade V. . . . Grade IV. . . .	Sept. 1888 . . . . .
A. Lillian Rideout . .		Sept. 1893 . . . . .
Mabel E. Ingalls . .		Sept. 1894 . . . . .
Ellen M. Dewing . .		Jan. 1894 . . . . .
Elizabeth J. Hadley . .		Sept. 1880 — <i>Dec. 1872.</i>
M. H. Fernald . . .		Sept. 1888 . . . . .
Frances A. Gould . .		Sept. 1888 . . . . .
Isabelle M. Hutt . .		Sept. 1894 — <i>Jan. 1892.</i>
Mabel S. Knight . .	" Grades IV. & V.	Nov. 1894 . . . . .
Emma J. Machon . .	Essex St. Grades II. & III	April 1880 . . . . .
May E. Jackson . .	Essex St., Grade I. . .	Nov. 1894 . . . . .
Mabel F. Verry . .	Pine St., Grades II. & III	April 1896 . . . . .
Charlotte Bain . .	Pine St., Grade I. . . .	Sept. 1897 . . . . .
Emily P. Ellis . . .	Redingt'n St., Gr. I. II. III	Jan. 1895 . . . . .
Edith Farnum . . .	" " Asst. . . .	Sept. 1897 . . . . .
Edith S. Gardner . .	Beach, Grades I., II., III	Sept. 1894 . . . . .
Louise C. Stanley . .	Farms, Grades I., II., III	Jan. 1888 . . . . .
Elizabeth A. Bill . .	Music and Drawing . .	Jan. 1890 . . . . .

[ Date of appointment to present position is given in Roman type. If the teacher has previously served in other schools in town, the earliest date of such appointment is stated in *italics*. ]

## School Statistics for 1897.

NAME OF SCHOOL.	Number of sittings. Largest number of pupils at any one time.		Number enrolled.		Average age.		Average number of pupils during winter term.		Average number of pupils during spring term.		Average number of pupils during summer term.		Average number of pupils during fall term.		Average attendance during winter term.		Average attendance during spring term.		Average attendance during summer term.		Average attendance during fall term.		Per cent. of attendance.	
PHILLIPS SCHOOL.																								
High .....	72	64	59	16	56	53	50	60.5	52.5	50	50	58.5	96											
Grade VIII.....	48	47	39	14.5	40	36	35	43	37	33.5	34	43	94.5											
Grade VII. ....	48	46	47	13.8	46.5	45	43	44.3	45	43	36.3	42.7	93.7											
Grade VI. ....	52	53	50	13	49	42.7	35.7	50.5	47.5	42.3	45.7	50.5	97											
Grade V. ....	51	51	55	11.7	42.6	48.5	48.6	49	39.6	45.6	46.5	47.8	95											
Grades IV. and V.....	48	46	55	12	45	44	45	39	41	42	43	37	94											
Grade IV.....	54	54	52	10	47	46.5	51	52.5	44	46.5	49	52	97.5											
Essex St., Grade I. ....	42	41	61	6	33	36	43	40.5	30	33	36	37	93											
Essex St., Grades II. and III....	42	45	46	8.8	43	43.5	45	35	39.5	42	43	33.7	95											
Pine St., Grades II. and III.....	39	38	58	7	36	42	47.5	31.5	30.8	38.6	43	29.3	90											
Pine St., Grade I. ....	50	37	23	5				33				30	91											
Redington St., Grades I. II. III.	53	53	55	7	33	43	51	39	29.9	40	48	36.7	92.5											
Beach.....	42	36	42	7.8	26	28	34	31	22	25.6	31	29	94.3											
The Farms.....	28	28	35	7	26	14	27	23	24	13	25	22	93											

Number enrolled in Town — Jan. 1898, 677; 1897, 648; 1896, 598; 1895, 560.

Increase over last year, 29 pupils.

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Course of Study.

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## FIRST YEAR.

Teach common words by aid of toys and reading from black-board. Begin reading from books as soon as possible.

Read first half of as many First Readers as possible.

*Spelling* — From the reading lessons.

*Language* — Copy easy sentences from the board, object lessons from familiar objects, correct errors in use of language, poems memorized.

*Arithmetic* — Numbers from 1 to 10, fractional parts, Roman numerals, use objects, lines, etc.

*Writing* — On paper, Duntonian Vertical System.

*Drawing* — On paper from solids, clay modeling.

*Geography* — Familiar objects about home, at school, out of doors, domestic animals, well known birds, common insects, flowers, plants, etc.

*Music* — As directed by music teacher.

*Nature Work* — Following Boyden's Outlines.

## SECOND YEAR.

*Reading* — Second half of five First Readers, and first half of four Second Readers, phonetic analysis.

*Spelling* — Oral and written spelling from reading and language lessons of not more than twenty words in a week.

*Language* — First year's work continued.

*Arithmetic* — Numbers through 25, Roman numerals, original concrete problems by the pupils, fractional parts.

*Writing* — Writing books, copy exercises from the board, writing selections from reading books and from dictation.

*Drawing* — From objects, clay modeling.

*Geography* — Familiar objects, houses, school-room, streets, buildings, neighborhood, a village, a city, cardinal points of compass, horizon, earth, land, air, etc.

*Music* — As directed by special teacher.

*Nature Work* — Following Boyden's Outlines.

## THIRD YEAR.

*Reading* — Last half of Second Readers, phonetic analysis.

*Spelling* — Oral and written, exercises dictated from reading lessons, twenty words each week.

*Language* — Part I, Mary Hyde's Language Lessons, dictation exercises, poems memorized.

*Arithmetic* — Numbers to 100, use of common measures, Roman numerals, written arithmetic, four operations with no multiplier or divisor exceeding two figures, writing numbers through thousands, fractional parts, common measures.

*Writing* — With pen and ink.

*Drawing* — Prang No. 1 Drawing Book. Supplementary work.

*Physiology* — Taught orally, the external parts of the body, hygiene.

*Geography* — Our Town, our State, position, boundaries, plans and maps, land and water in Town and the State, parts of animals, vegetables, etc.

*History* — Stories, holidays.

*Music* — As directed by special teacher.

*Nature Work* — Following Boyden's Outlines.

## FOURTH YEAR.

*Reading* — First half of Third Reader, King's Geographical Reader, The Beginner's American History, Fables and Folk-stories, phonetic analysis.

*Spelling* — Not more than twenty words each week from reading lessons and Geography.

*Language* — Part I, Mary Hyde's Lessons.

*Arithmetic* — Mental arithmetic, written arithmetic, four operations, addition and subtraction of decimal and common fractions, United States money, denominate numbers, elementary work with simple examples.

*Geography* — Studied from Globe in hands of pupil, the world as a whole, form, size, motions, hemispheres, zones, seasons, animals, plants, people, races, civilization, continent, oceans, position, form, size, etc., North America, United States, our State.



- Drawing* — Prang No. 2 Drawing Book. Supplementary work.  
*Writing* — From copy book.  
*Physiology* — Read Child's Health Primer, Talks on Hygiene.  
*History* — Stories.  
*Music* — As directed by special teacher.  
*Nature Work* — Following Boyden's Outlines.

## FIFTH YEAR.

- Reading* — Second half of Third Reader, Gods and Heroes, King's Geographical Reader, The Beginner's American History and King of Golden River, phonetic analysis.  
*Spelling* — Same as previous year.  
*Language* — Sheldon's Language Lessons, selections from the poets.  
*Arithmetic* — Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division of United States money, elementary fractions, tables of weights and measures, simple examples in percentage, factoring and multiples, simple examples only are to be used. .  
*Geography* — The Continents, form, size, extent, North America, United States, with special Geography of New England and and our own State, map drawing.  
*Writing* — From copy book.  
*Drawing* — Prang No. 3. Drawing Book. Supplementary work.  
*Physiology* — Child's Health Primer.  
*History* — Stories, Historical Reader.  
*Music* — As directed by special teacher.  
*Nature Work* — Following Boyden's Outlines.

## SIXTH YEAR.

- Reading* — Hiawatha, King's Geographical Reader, with other supplementary reading, phonetic analysis.  
*Spelling* — Same as previous grades.  
*Language* — Mary Hyde's Lessons, Part III, letter writing, composition writing, declamations, selections from the poets.  
*Arithmetic* — Fractions, reductions, weights and measures, simple examples in percentage and interest.

*Geography* — Finish the United States, South America, map drawing.

*History* — The discoveries and settlements, abstracts on famous men.

*Physiology* — Skeleton and process of digestion, hygiene effects of alcohol and narcotics.

*Writing* — From copy book.

*Drawing* — Prang No. 4 Drawing Book. Supplementary work.

*Music* — As directed by special teacher.

*Nature Work* — Following Boyden's Outlines.

#### SEVENTH YEAR.

*Reading* — Tanglewood Tales, Sharp Eyes, with other supplementary reading.

*Spelling* — As in previous grades.

*Language* — Mary Hyde's Lessons, Part IV. Composition writing, bills, advertisements and telegrams, declamations, selections from the poets.

*Arithmetic* — Measurements, percentage, interest.

*Geography* — Europe and Asia, map drawing.

*History* — French and Indian War, Revolutionary War and the War of 1812. Abstracts on famous men.

*Physiology* — Muscles, respiration, circulation, effect of alcohol and narcotics, hygiene.

*Drawing* — Prang No. 5 Drawing Book. Supplementary work.

*Writing* — From copy book.

*Music* — As directed by special teacher.

*Nature Work* — Following Boyden's Outlines.

#### EIGHTH YEAR.

*Reading* — Masterpieces in English Literature and other supplementary reading.

*Spelling* — As in previous grades.

*Language* — Grammar, written work, composition writing, declamations, selections from the poets.

*Arithmetic* — Banking, stocks and bonds, proportion, simple examples in square root and mensuration, reviews.

*Geography* — Completed and reviewed topically.

*History* — Completed and reviewed topically.

*Physiology* — Nervous system, special senses, hygiene reviewed topically.

*Drawing* — Prang No. 6 Drawing Book. Supplementary work.

*Writing* — Copy book.

*Music* — As directed by special teacher.

*Nature Work* — Following Boyden's Outlines.

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## Course of Study—High School.

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### CLASSICAL COURSE.

#### FIRST YEAR.

English, 4 Periods per week ; Latin, 4 ; Algebra, 4 ; Bookkeeping, 2 ; Physical Geography, 2 ; Drawing, 2.

#### SECOND YEAR.

English, 4 ; Latin, 4 ; Greek, 4 ; Geometry, 4 ; Civil Government, 2.

#### THIRD YEAR.

Latin, 4 ; Greek, 3 ; French, 4 ; Mathematics (Algebra 2, Geometry 2), 4 ; History, 3.

#### FOURTH YEAR.

English, 4 ; Latin, 4 ; Greek, 4 ; History, 3 ; French, 3.

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### LATIN-SCIENTIFIC COURSE.

#### FIRST YEAR.

Same as classical.

#### SECOND YEAR.

English, 2 ; Latin, 4 ; French, 4 ; Geometry, 4 ; Civil Government, 2 ; Botany, 2.

## THIRD YEAR.

Latin, 4; French, 3; Mathematics (Algebra 2, Geometry 2). 4;  
Physics, 5; History, 3.

## FOURTH YEAR.

English, 4; Latin, 4; German, 4; History, 3; Chemistry, 4;  
French, 3.

## ENGLISH COURSE.

## FIRST YEAR.

English, 4; French, 4; Algebra, 4; Bookkeeping, 2; Physical  
Geography, 2; Drawing, 2.

## SECOND YEAR.

English, 5; French, 3; Geometry, 4; Civil Government, 2;  
Botany, 2; Drawing, 1.

## THIRD YEAR.

English, 2; French, 3; History, 3; Physics, 5; Astronomy, 3;  
Drawing, 1.

## FOURTH YEAR.

English, 4; German, 4; History, 3; Chemistry, 4; Geology, 3;  
Drawing, 1.

Music, 2 periods a week for all pupils, also Declamation and  
Composition, 1 period home reading of the following books  
or an equivalent:

### List of Books.

ALHAMBRA . . . . .	<i>Irving</i>
BEN HUR . . . . .	<i>Wallace</i>
CHRISTMAS TALES . . . . .	<i>Dickens</i>
CHILDREN OF THE ABBEY . . . . .	<i>Roche</i>
DAVID COPPERFIELD . . . . .	<i>Dickens</i>
DRED . . . . .	<i>Stone</i>
FREDERICK THE GREAT AND HIS COURT . . . . .	<i>Muhlbach</i>
GULLIVER'S TRAVELS . . . . .	<i>Swift</i>
HOUSE OF THE SEVEN GABLES . . . . .	<i>Hawthorne</i>
TWICE TOLD TALES . . . . .	<i>Hawthorne</i>
JANE EYRE . . . . .	<i>Bronte</i>
JOHN HALIFAX . . . . .	<i>Mulock</i>
KENILWORTH . . . . .	<i>Scott</i>
LORNA DOONE . . . . .	<i>Blackmore</i>
LAST DAYS OF POMPEII . . . . .	<i>Lytton</i>
LITTLE MEN . . . . .	<i>Alcott</i>
LITTLE WOMEN . . . . .	<i>Alcott</i>
IVANHOE . . . . .	<i>Scott</i>
QUENTIN DURWARD . . . . .	<i>Scott</i>
TALISMAN . . . . .	<i>Scott</i>
RAMONA . . . . .	<i>Jackson</i>
RIENZI . . . . .	<i>Lytton</i>
RISE OF SILAS LAPHAM . . . . .	<i>Howells</i>
SCOTTISH CHIEFS . . . . .	<i>Porter</i>
SHIRLEY . . . . .	<i>Bronte</i>
TALE OF TWO CITIES . . . . .	<i>Dickens</i>
TOM BROWN AT RUGBY . . . . .	<i>Hughes</i>
TOM BROWN AT OXFORD . . . . .	<i>Hughes</i>
UNCLE TOM'S CABIN . . . . .	<i>Stowe</i>
TWENTY THOUSAND LEAGUES UNDER THE SEA . . . . .	<i>Verne</i>
TWO GREAT RETREATS . . . . .	<i>Grote and Legur</i>
THE EGYPTIAN PRINCESS . . . . .	<i>Ebers</i>
VICAR OF WAKEFIELD . . . . .	<i>Goldsmith</i>
SILAS MARNER . . . . .	<i>Eliot</i>
THE NEWCOMES . . . . .	<i>Thackeray</i>
ELSIE VENNER . . . . .	<i>Holmes</i>
IDYLLS OF THE KING . . . . .	<i>Tennyson</i>
BESIDE THE BONNIE BRIAR BUSH . . . . .	<i>Watson</i>
OLD CREOLE DAYS . . . . .	<i>Cable</i>
IN OLE VIRGINIA . . . . .	<i>Page</i>
THE MAN WITHOUT A COUNTRY . . . . .	<i>Hale</i>

THE STORY OF JESUS . . . . .	<i>Ward</i>
UNCLE REMUS . . . . .	<i>Harris</i>
ROMOLA . . . . .	<i>Eliot</i>
ADVENTURERS OF ULYSSES . . . . .	<i>Lamb</i>
MILL ON THE FLOSS . . . . .	<i>Eliot</i>
PRIDE AND PREJUDICE . . . . .	<i>Jane Austin</i>
DONOVAN . . . . .	<i>Lyall</i>
ABBOTT . . . . .	<i>Scott</i>
SARACINESCA . . . . .	<i>Crawford</i>

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK E. INGALLS,  
ELDRIDGE F. SMALL,  
EDWIN M. BAILEY,

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*School Committee.*

SWAMPSCOTT, *February 28, 1898.*

## Rules and Regulations of Swampscott Schools.

### SCHOOL SESSION.

SECTION 1. The session of the High School shall begin at 8.45 and close at 1.30.

The morning session of the Grammar grades shall begin at 8.45 and close at 11.30. Afternoon session shall begin at 1.30 and close at 3.30.

The morning session of the Primary Schools shall begin at 8.45 and close at 11.45. Afternoon session shall begin at 1.30 and close at 3.30.

### TEACHERS.

SECT. 2 All the school rooms shall be opened, and the Principal and Teachers shall be present therein, both morning and afternoon, at least fifteen minutes before the time fixed for the session to begin. The pupils shall be in their seats, and the exercises of the school shall commence and close punctually at the prescribed hours. Every pupil entering the school room after the hour of opening, whether bringing an excuse or not, shall be considered tardy, and so marked in the register.

SECT. 3. The morning session shall commence with reading from the Bible by the teachers, and any other devotional exercise as they may deem proper.

SECT. 4. The teachers are required to obey faithfully the following statute of the Commonwealth: "It shall be the duty of all instructors of youth to exert their best endeavors to impress on the minds of children and youth committed to their care and instruction, the principles of piety and justice, and a sacred regard to truth, love of their country, humanity, and universal benevolence, sobriety, industry, and frugality, chastity, moderation,



and temperance, and those other virtues which are the ornament of human society, and the basis upon which a republican constitution is founded ; and it shall be the duty of such instructors to endeavor to lead their pupils, as their ages and capacities will admit, into a clear understanding of the tendency of the above mentioned virtues, to preserve and perfect a republican constitution, and secure the blessings of liberty as well as to promote their future happiness, and also to point out to them the evil tendency of the opposite vices." (Pub. Stat. chap. 44, sect. 15).

SECT. 5. Teachers shall practice such discipline in their schools as would be exercised by a judicious parent in a family, and shall avoid corporal punishment in all cases where good order can be preserved by milder means ; but, when corporal punishment shall be deemed necessary, it may be resorted to, and a record thereof, with the cause, nature, and amount of punishment, shall be made and kept for examination.

SECT. 6. For violent opposition or open rebellion, the teacher may dismiss the pupil from school, and shall then immediately inform the parent or guardian of such pupil, and on the same day shall apply to the Committee for advice and direction.

SECT. 7. Teachers may have one day in each term for the purpose of visiting schools, and teachers desiring to attend the meetings of the State and County Teachers' Association may dismiss for that purpose.

SECT. 8. When, by reason of sickness or other cause, a teacher is unable to be at school, the Committee must at once be notified, that a substitute may be provided.

SECT. 9. The teacher shall see that the school rooms are clean, and that entries, yards and out-buildings are kept in good condition ; they may command the services of the janitors in executing this requirement. They shall also see that the windows in their respective school rooms and entries are closed, and the doors locked at the close of the exercises for each day. Teachers shall make such rules as are necessary and reasonable for good order and neatness on the school premises.

SECT. 10. No person shall be permitted to enter a school for the purpose of promoting the sale of any article whatever ; nor

shall teachers allow notices to be given, advertisements, circulars, or other printed matter to be distributed, or any like interference with the ordinary and regular course of instruction in the school.

#### PUPILS.

SECT. 11. No child shall be admitted into any of the public schools without a permit; and no child shall be entitled to receive such permit until satisfactory evidence be given that the State law as to vaccination has been observed.

SECT. 12. Children shall be admitted to the Primary Schools upon furnishing satisfactory proof that they are qualified to go on with some class in the same; and if unable to read shall be admitted not later than four weeks after the beginning of the Fall and Spring terms.

SECT. 13. Every pupil shall be required to attend school as constantly as possible, and in case of tardiness or absence to bring a written excuse from his or her parent or guardian. No scholar shall be dismissed during school hours except upon presentation of a similar request.

SECT. 14. No scholar shall be allowed to leave the school during a session, or before dismissal of the school, except on account of sickness or some pressing emergency, of which the teacher is to judge; and a written or personal request from the parent or guardian shall be required where the necessity is not evident.

SECT. 15. Teachers shall require scholars to pay proper attention to personal cleanliness.

SECT. 16. Any pupil who is guilty of marking, cutting, defacing, or in any way injuring any of the school-houses or the out-buildings, or the trees belonging to them, shall repair the same, or be amenable to the law.

SECT. 17. All pupils are strictly forbidden to climb on any tree, fence, railing, ladder, etc., about the school-house, or to throw stones, snow-balls, or other missiles, about the neighborhood of the school-house, or to use any profane or indelicate language.

SECT. 18. Any pupil misappropriating, injuring, or destroying any of the text books or supplies loaned him or her by the Town, shall subject his or her parents or guardian to payment for the article so misappropriated, injured or destroyed.

SECT. 19. Reports of each pupil's work in all grades above Grade II shall be made from time to time to the parent or guardian; in such reports, as well as all records kept by the teacher, ranking, when resorted to, shall not be by percentages, but as follows: A for excellent, B for good, C for passable, D for poor, and E for bad.

#### JANITORS.

SECT. 20. The duties of the janitors of the different school-houses shall be as follows: To sweep and carefully dust all the rooms twice every week, airing the rooms while sweeping, and keep the basement clean and in good order at all times; to clean the house, washing the floors thoroughly three times each year, viz.: in August, December and April; to wash all windows twice each year, in August and April; to wash and clean the water-closets as often as necessary; to shovel the snow and keep the paths safe in winter; to keep the doors and windows closed and locked when the school is not in session; to report forthwith to the teacher and committee any injuries done to the school-house, out-buildings, trees, or fences; to build fires when needed, and have the rooms warm —  $67^{\circ}$  to  $70^{\circ}$  F. — at the time for opening the school, and to give proper attention when required, during the day; to take general care and superintendence of the school-house and grounds to the satisfaction of the committee. No extra payment shall be allowed for any of the above duties.

#### STORM SIGNAL.

SECT. 21. In case of severe storms the Lynn "No School" signal is adopted. This signal is 22. The morning signal is rung at 7.45 A.M. and the one for afternoon at 12.45 P.M.

## Extracts from Public Statutes Relating to School Legislation.

### CHAPTER 498—*An Act in Relation to the Attendance of Children in Schools.*

SECTION 1. Every person having under his control a child between the ages of eight and fourteen years, and in every city and town where opportunity is furnished, in connection with the regular work of the public schools, for gratuitous instruction in the use of tools or in manual training, or for industrial education in any form, a child between the ages of eight and fifteen years, shall annually cause such child to attend some public day school in the city or town in which he resides, and such attendance shall continue for at least thirty weeks of the school year, if the schools are kept open for that length of time, with an allowance of two weeks' time for absences not excused by the Superintendent of Schools or the School Committee. Such period of attendance shall begin within the first month of the fall term of school, and for each five days' absence of any such child thereafter, in excess of the above allowance, before the completion of the required annual attendance of thirty weeks, the person having such child under his control, shall, upon the complaint of the School Committee or any truant officer, forfeit to the use of the public schools of such city or town a sum not exceeding twenty dollars, but if such child has attended for a like period of time a private day school approved by the School Committee of such city or town, or if such child has been otherwise instructed for a like period of time in the branches of learning required by law to be taught in the public schools, or has already acquired the branches of learning required by law to be taught in the public schools, or if his physical or mental condition is such as to render such attendance inexpedient or impracticable, such penalties shall not be incurred.

SECT. 2. For the purposes of the preceding section, School Committees shall approve a private school only when the teaching in all the studies required by law is in the English language, and when they are satisfied that such teaching equals in thoroughness and efficiency the teaching in the public schools in the same locality, and that equal progress is made by the pupils therein, in the studies required by law, with that made during the same time in the public schools; but they shall not refuse to approve a private school on account of the religious teaching therein.

SECT. 3. The truant officers and the School Committee of the several cities and towns shall vigilantly inquire into all cases of neglect of duty prescribed in section one, and ascertain the reasons, if any, therefor; and such truant officers or any of them, shall, when so directed by

the School Committee, prosecute in the name of the city or town any person liable to the penalty provided for in said section. Police, district and municipal courts, trial justices and judges of the probate court, shall have jurisdiction within their respective counties of the offences described in section one.

*Penalty for Disturbing Schools.*

"Whoever wilfully interrupts or disturbs a school or other assembly of people met for a lawful purpose, shall be punished by imprisonment in the jail not exceeding thirty days, or by fine not exceeding fifty dollars." Pub. Stat., sect. 23, chap. 207.

CHAPTER 203 — *Malicious Injury to Buildings.*

SECTION 78. Whoever wilfully and maliciously or wantonly and without cause destroys, defaces, mars or injures a school-house, church or other buildings erected or used for purposes of education or religious instruction, or for the general diffusion of knowledge, or an out-building, fence, well or appurtenance of such school-house, church or other building, or furniture, apparatus or other property belonging to or connected with such school-house, church or other building, shall be punished by fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the jail not exceeding one year.

*Authority of Teachers over Pupils.*

Section 1 of chapter 44 of the Public Statutes imposes upon the teachers of the public schools the duty of instructing their pupils in good behavior.

The Constitution of the State makes it the duty of all institutions of learning to train those committed to them in the practice of every virtue. To attain these ends it is necessary that a wise government over the pupils shall be uniformly and persistently maintained. The teacher is therefore vested with the authority of the parent in the control of the children in their relations as pupils of his school.

1. In the school-room he has exclusive control of his pupils, subject only to the direction of the school committee.

2. He may rightfully exercise the same full control over his pupils at any time while they are on any part of the school premises.

3. While the pupils are on their way to and from the school, the authority of the teacher may be considered as concurrent with that of the parent or guardian. If the pupils in coming to school, or in going from it to their homes, commit an offence against the civil laws, it will be well to leave the offenders in the hands of judicial or parental



authority. But if the children quarrel on their way, or are wilfully tardy, or use indecent and profane language, or in any way by their conduct injure the good order and discipline of the school, the teacher may take notice of such conduct by subjecting the offenders to such wise and judicious treatment as will have a tendency to prevent a repetition of the offence. In such cases the teacher should exercise great caution not to use any doubtful authority, or any questionable modes of correction.

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CHAPTER 44 — *Female Assistants.*

SECTION 14. In every public school having an average of fifty scholars, the school district or town to which such school belongs, shall employ one or more female assistants, unless such district or town votes to dispense with such assistant.

*Patriotic Exercises.*

Chapter 111 of the Acts of 1890 provides that in all the public schools of the Commonwealth the last regular session prior to Memorial Day, or a portion thereof, shall be devoted to exercises of a patriotic nature.

CHAPTER 498 — *An Act Relative to Vaccination.*

SECTION 9. The school committee shall not allow a child who has not been duly vaccinated to be admitted to or connected with the public schools.

CHAPTER 515.

Section 2 of this act provides that "all children who shall present a certificate signed by a regular practising physician that they are unfit subjects for vaccination shall not be subject to the provisions of section nine of chapter forty-seven of the Public Statutes excluding unvaccinated children from public schools."

CHAPTER 498 — *An Act Relative to Infectious Diseases.*

SECTION 10. The school committees shall not allow any pupil to attend the public schools while any member of the household to which such pupil belongs is sick of small-pox, diphtheria or scarlet fever, or during a period of two weeks after the death, recovery or removal of such sick person ; and any pupil coming from such household shall be required to present, to the teacher of the school the pupil desires to attend, a certificate, from the attending physician or board of health, of the facts necessary to entitle him to admission in accordance with the above regulation.

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### Report of Truant Officer.

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*To the School Board:*

GENTLEMEN, — I have investigated twenty-two complaints from teachers during the past year, with the following results :

Truancy, first offence, 8 ; truancy, second offence, 1 ; detained at home, on account of sickness, 6 ; at home, through neglect of parents, 7. Total, 22.

Respectfully submitted,

SETH C. KENDRICK,

*Truant Officer.*



## Fourth Annual Report, Board of Park Commissioners.

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*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

As required by law we herewith submit our report as follows :

Since our last report of one year ago we have settled the claims in full of Wm. Seger, J. Walter Kehoe and Nathaniel Blanchard for the sum of \$500 each and those of Jas. A. Knowlton for the sum of \$1,400 and of J. Frank Blaney with whom settlement has been arranged at the price of \$600.

All of the Buildings on the Little Estate have been sold and removed as have also those on the Knowlton Estates and those between the estates of Phillips and Ingalls, and the whole area of the Reservation has been partially graded and will be further improved in the early spring.

There remains of the \$30,000 appropriated to acquire the Beaches and to construct a Building on the Blaney Beach Reservation, the sum of \$5,239.98, which with the Betterments to be collected, we think is ample to satisfy the judgments of the Courts in which the following claims now remain to be adjusted and are entered for trial, viz:—

John W. Chapman, Leonard Fowle, Joseph A. Ingalls, the "Stone" Estate, William C. Stone, Otis Cahoon, John Smith and Charles E. Phillips.

The claims of Ingalls, Phillips, Fowle and Chapman are mainly predicated upon the alleged right to run their sewer conduits across the street, and thereby make a nuisance of the Beach which we think should be abated by the Town, through its Board of Health and Selectmen, and thereby reduce their claims to a

minimum and render the beach sands at this end of the Reservation sufficiently clean for use as a children's play ground or for bathing purposes without danger of contagion.

As no appropriation has been made other than for the acquisition of the Beaches and for the Reservation Building, some further appropriation may be needed for administration purposes until such time as the Reservation can be made as nearly self-supporting as possible, and in this connection your Commissioners in estimating the amount of the original appropriation did not anticipate the expenditure of so much money for legal advice as we have found it necessary to secure.

At the present writing we have no assurance as to what time or in what condition the King's Beach Reservation may be turned over to us, but we may be so informed as to be able to make some further report in this connection before the final adjournment of the Annual meeting, at which time we expect to be able to make some recommendations as to the improvement of both of the Reservations.

The Reservation Building seems to be as near a success as could have been expected, considering the lack of precedent in this kind of work. The original applicants for space and a number of others have been provided for. Some few alterations have been made in the Building which we thought to be advisable.

The unoccupied portion of the upper floors is reserved for the use of our citizens and visitors to the Town, and it is hoped that they will avail themselves of this privilege and make such use of this part of the Building as may be consistent with the fact that it is the only public place in Town and as a pleasant resort needs only the association of those whose presence and intimacy alone can make it so.

Mr. Andrew L. Harris has presented the Town with six volumes of the U. S. Fish Commission Reports which we regard as a valuable acquisition as they are of especial interest to all interested in maritime matters, and also that this gift affords an excellent example for our other public spirited citizens.

The Commissioners would be pleased to receive such suggestions and advice from their fellow citizens, as so important a

trust should inspire in the patriotic and conservative members of our body politic.

Let us appropriate so much for what we need as we can afford, and remember always that whatever sum is so expended has to be wrung from the soil and the sea by some one, somewhere, at some time.

BENJAMIN POTTER,	}	<i>Park Commissioners.</i>
ROBERT B. WARDWELL,		
EDWARD H. KITFIELD,		

## Report of the Library Trustees.

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*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

The Library contains 6937 volumes. 137 books have been added this year. The circulation of books has been 22,087.

Received from fines and catalogues \$24.60.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES E. PEASLEY,	}	<i>Trustees.</i>
F. F. STANLEY,		
F. E. INGALLS,		

SWAMPSCOTT, *Feb. 10th, 1898.*

## Report of the Board of Health.

*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

Herewith we present for your consideration the Annual Report of the Board of Health for the fiscal year ending March, 1898.

During the year we have received and investigated fifteen (15) written, besides many verbal, complaints; also have received official notice of six (6) cases of diphtheria, twelve (12) of scarlet fever, four (4) of typhoid fever, three (3) of measles, one case of diphtheria proving fatal.

Considerable controversy has been made through the press in regard to the manner in which some of the contagious diseases have been handled by the Board. We think if the citizens who seem to be dissatisfied with the manner in which all cases have been handled, would simply consult the Board, satisfactory explanation could be made showing that all was done for the benefit of the townspeople. The contract for collecting house offal was awarded to Michael McDonough for the sum of twelve hundred dollars (\$1,200.00), which has been done in a very satisfactory manner. The contract for receiving and disposing of night soil was awarded to Allen S. Rowe for the sum of ninety dollars (\$90.00). The beaches have been taken care of in the usual manner.

The Board feels confident that the Town will compare favorably with other towns in regard to health and cleanliness.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN I. ADAMS,	} <i>Board</i>	
EDWIN F. WILEY,		} <i>of</i>
WILLIS E. DOUGHTY,		

Attest:

W. B. ADAMS, *Clerk.*

SWAMPSCOTT, Feb. 10, 1898.

## Health Regulations of the Town of Swampscott.

*The following Regulations have been adopted by the Board of Health:*

SECTION 1. The owner, agent or occupant, having care of any tenement used as a dwelling-house, shall furnish the same with sufficient drain, under ground, to carry off the waste water; and also with a suitable privy, sufficient for the accommodation of all who may use it.

SECT. 2. All vaults or privies shall be so constructed that the inside of the same shall be at least two feet distant from the line of every adjoining lot or street, and the same shall be kept tight; nor shall the contents of any vault be allowed to accumulate within twelve inches of the even surface of the ground, or otherwise become offensive.

SECT. 3. All waste water shall be conveyed through sufficient drains, under ground, to a common sewer, or to such reservoir, sunk under ground, as shall be approved by the Board of Health, and no person shall suffer any waste or stagnant water to remain in any cellar, or upon any lot of vacant ground, by such person owned or occupied.

SECT. 4. Whenever, upon due examination, it shall appear to the Board of Health that the number of persons occupying any tenement or building in the town is so great as to be the cause of nuisance or sickness, or the source of filth, or that any tenement or building is not furnished with vaults constructed according to the provisions of the regulations, or with sufficient privies, or drains under ground for waste water, or from any cause has become unfit for habitation, they will thereupon issue their notice in writing to such persons, or any of them, requiring them to remove and quit such tenement or building within such time as they may deem reasonable.

SECT. 5. No person shall throw or put into any public place, or pond, or running stream, or body of water, or in any other place where the Board of Health may deem it a nuisance, any dead animal, dirt or rubbish whatsoever, nor shall any person throw into or upon any flats or tide water within the jurisdiction of the town, any dead animal, filth or offensive matter.

SECT. 6. No person shall erect or maintain, within the limits of the town, any building or structure used for a slaughter house, or for the manufacture or refining of kerosene oil or soap, the trying out of lard, the business of tallow chandler, or the tanning, dressing or coloring of leather or skins, or any other noxious or offensive trade, or exercise or carry on such trade, business or employment, without a license from the



Board of Health, defining the place for the same, and any such license may at any time be revoked.

SECT. 7. No person shall collect any house offal or night soil within the limits of the town without a license from the Board of Health.

SECT. 8. No person shall bring into the town for sale any diseased, putrid, stale or unwholesome meat, vegetables or provisions.

SECT. 9. No person shall burn, boil or decompose in the town any bones or other refuse parts of neat cattle or other animal, without a license from the Board of Health.

SECT. 10. No person shall keep any swine within the limits of the town without a license from the Board of Health.

SECT. 11. Any person sick with the small pox, scarlet fever, diphtheria, membranous croup, together with all persons in attendance upon him, will be subject to the control of the Board; and no person shall enter or leave a house wherein any person is or has been sick with the disease, or in any way come in contact with the inmates of such house, except by permission of the Board.

SECT. 12. All persons are warned not to approach a house or the surrounding premises whereupon is displayed either a health card, a red flag by day or a red light by night.

SECT. 13. When a householder knows that a person within his family is taken sick of small-pox, scarlet fever, measles, diphtheria, membranous croup, typhoid fever, or any other disease dangerous to the public health, he shall immediately give notice thereof to the Board of Health.

SECT. 14. When a physician knows that any person whom he is called to visit is infected with small-pox, scarlet fever, measles, diphtheria, membranous croup, typhoid fever, or any other disease dangerous to the public health, he shall immediately give notice thereof to the Board of Health.

SECT. 15. No child from any family or house infected with scarlet fever, measles, diphtheria, small-pox, or membranous croup, shall be permitted to attend school without a permit from the Board of Health.

SECT. 16. The bodies of all persons dying of small-pox, scarlet fever, diphtheria, membranous croup, typhus or typhoid fever, must be immediately disinfected and placed in a tight coffin, which shall not be reopened. No certificate of death from either of the above-named diseases will be endorsed by the Board of Health until above regulations have been complied with. In above cases no public funeral will be allowed without permission from the Board of Health.

SECT. 17. Notice of domestic animals or cattle suffering with contagious disease, or suspected of suffering from contagious disease, shall immediately be given to the Board of Health by those having the charge of such animals or cattle.



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Extract from the Town By-Laws.

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## ARTICLE VII.

SECT. 6. The contents of any sink, cesspool or privy shall only be removed in a vehicle effectually covered and water-tight, and the same shall not be emptied on any beach or into the sea adjacent to any beach in the Town, but shall be carried in such cart and disposed of in the earth or otherwise as the Board of Health may by rules provide, but apart from dwelling houses.

SECT. 26. No person shall put, or cause to be put, into any catch basin in the highway, any filth, sewage, slops or dirty water.

JOHN I. ADAMS,                    }  
EDWIN F. WILEY,                }  
WILLIS E. DOUGHTY,        }  
  *Board*  
  *of*  
  *Health.*

SWAMPSCOTT, *Feb. 27, 1898.*

## Report of the Committee on Street Numbers.

*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

By a vote of the Town, at the last annual meeting the Board of Assessors were instructed to locate and number all the houses in the Town, upon a basis of twenty-five feet frontage.

After carefully considering the matter, and learning the custom in other places, we were of the opinion, that it would be best to reduce the frontage through the centre of the Town to fifteen feet from the Soldiers' monument to the junction of Humphrey and Orient Streets.

A contract was made with Mr. Fred L. Eastman, who is making a survey of the Town, to locate and place upon the houses the numbers in accordance with the plans, he agreeing to do the work for the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.)

An arrangement was made with Mr. H. W. Gordon of Lynn, to furnish all the figures required at five cents each.

We would recommend that the Town furnish the numbers required for new buildings, and that the Assessors be requested to give the numbers in accordance with the survey.

D. HOLMAM MILLETT,	}	<i>Board of Assessors.</i>
GILBERT DELANO,		
PELEG GARDNER.		

SWAMPSCOTT, Feb. 10, 1898.

## Report of Inspector of Cattle, Swine, Fish, Provisions, Etc.

*To the Board of Selectmen:*

Received appointment May 1st, vice A. B. Spaulding resigned.

Whole number of cattle, 139; cows, 124; young, 12; bulls, 3. Whole number of swine, 180; slaughtered for food, 81; provision stores, 5; wagons, 3; fish markets, 5; wagons, 4. Merchandize of street pedlars inspected, 26. Cattle quarantined before May 1st, by books received, 24; condemned, 10. Since May 1st, quarantined, 7. Cases of rabies reported and dog killed, 1. Stables fumigated and cleansed, 3; condemned, 1.

### REMARKS.

This being my fifth annual report as Inspector, I will state on May 15th received notice from State Cattle Commissioner not to put any more cattle in quarantine, except where written notice was sent to local Board of Health. Jan. 10th again received same notice, which accounts for the small number of cattle quarantined. I have made frequent visits among all cows kept for sale of milk. Places where cows are kept for sale or exchange have been inspected every week. As long as the State Legislature fails to appropriate sufficient money for the Cattle Commission to successfully carry on the work of extermination of contagious diseases among cattle, I think the present salary of the Inspector is sufficient.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE NEWHALL, *Inspector.*

SWAMPSCOTT, Feb. 11, 1898.

## Report of Milk Inspector.

### *To the Board of Selectmen:*

Twenty-five licenses for the sale of milk in the Town of Swampscott for the season of 1897-8 were granted, receipts for the same being twelve dollars and fifty cents (\$12.50), that amount having been paid into the Town Treasury as follows:

Michael Martin,	. . . . .	.50
W. F. Lewis,	. . . . .	.50
F. S. Hall,	. . . . .	.50
C. R. Sibley,	. . . . .	.50
J. Bryson,	. . . . .	.50
R. V. Bessom,	. . . . .	.50
C. H. Proctor,	. . . . .	.50
M. T. Roberts,	. . . . .	.50
H. L. Mudge,	. . . . .	.50
J. W. Waitt,	. . . . .	.50
Fred H. Brown,	. . . . .	.50
A. F. Hanafry,	. . . . .	.50
H. J. Pierce,	. . . . .	.50
W. O. Fuller,	. . . . .	.50
C. E. Phillips,	. . . . .	.50
Allen Rowe,	. . . . .	.50
John Stevens,	. . . . .	.50
Mrs. Coloagh,	. . . . .	.50
Martin Enholm,	. . . . .	.50
John B. Butman,	. . . . .	.50
George H. Holden,	. . . . .	.50
George Melzard,	. . . . .	.50
C. A. Stewart,	. . . . .	.50
Frank Newhall,	. . . . .	.50
H. F. Ward,	. . . . .	.50

No complaints of any kind have been received. Forty-one samples have been tested by analysis during the year.

C. E. HARRIS, *Milk Inspector.*

SWAMPSCOTT, Feb. 7, 1898.

## Report of Fire Engineers.

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*To the Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Swampscott:*

The Engineers herewith present their Annual Report.

### EXPENSES.

From May 1, 1897, to Feb. 23, 1898, bills to the amount of \$4,346.18 have been approved.

Many persons do not realize that out of an appropriation of \$5,000 we have but \$416.66 for each month, to meet the expenses of three regular men, twenty call men, feed for six horses, shoeing for same, coal, gas, telephone, battery supplies, and general wear and tear expenses, besides, we furnish substitutes when our regular men have their days off, also, when each of these men have their two weeks' vacation, on pay in summer, substitutes are supplied by the Department.

### RECEIPTS.

The horses and men have been employed on the streets, and have been credited as follows: For sprinkling, \$951.25, and on highways, \$86.25, which gives the Department credit for \$1,037.50.

It has been thought by some, that we run a great risk in using the horses of this Department on the streets in summer. There is always a risk when the horses are out of the house at any time, even when taken to the blacksmith; still with the few fires we have, it is the opinion of experienced persons, that the risk we run is very small. The Engineers consider that the horses are in better condition for the work of the Department, when used in this way; however this is a question for the Town to decide.

## SCHEDULE OF FIRE DEPARTMENT PROPERTY.

Two fire stations and land ; 1 storage building ; 1 steam fire engine ; 1 hose wagon ; 1 ladder truck ; 8 ladders ; 2500 feet cotton hose, in good condition ; 600 feet damaged hose ; 1 supply wagon ; 2 crow-bars ; 8 hose straps ; 6 coal baskets ; 6 hydrant wrenches ; 4 fire hooks and poles ; 3 axes ; 18 fire alarm boxes ; 2 fire alarm strikers, one at Town Hall, one at Congregational Church ; 2 fire alarm gongs and 2 indicators, one each at steamer house, one each at chemical house ; 3 tappers ; 4 buzz bells ; 1 repeater ; 6 galvanometers ; 2 hand chemicals ; 74 hydrants ; 1 steam whistle on Marblehead Water Company ; 6 horses ; 3 sets double harnesses ; 6 horse blankets ; 6 beds and bedding ; 5 hose pipes ; 2 extra nozzles ; 20 spanners ; 2 wagon jacks ; 11 lanterns ; 22 rubber coats ; 2 army coats ; 1 life net ; 1 sheet ; 1 shut-off nozzle ; 1 shut-off gate ; 2 siamese connections ; 200 feet hose, 1 wrench, 2 spanners, 1 pipe at Lincoln House ; hose reel and 300 feet hose, 1 wrench, 2 spanners, 1 pipe at John Shepard's ; hose reel and 300 feet hose, 1 wrench, 2 spanners, 1 pipe at John Palmer's Estate ; 250 feet hose, 1 wrench, 2 spanners, 1 pipe at Evans & Cole's stable ; hose reel and 300 feet hose, 1 wrench 2 spanners, 1 pipe at Boston Railroad stable, Essex street ; hose reel and 400 feet hose, 1 wrench, 4 spanners, 2 pipes, 2 lanterns, 1 stove and furniture, 12 badges at Mountain Park.

## FIRES AND ALARMS.

- May 4. Box 5 ; call to Lynn, box 82 ; time, 3.40 P.M.  
May 15. Still ; time, 10.40 A.M. ; E. Farnam.  
July 6. Still ; time, 8.50 P.M. ; S. Andrews.  
Aug. 10. Box 4 ; time, 11 01 P.M. ; E. Russell.  
Aug. 12. Box 17 ; time, 3.10 P.M. ; woods.  
Aug. 17. Box 24 ; time, 9.05 A.M. ; G. A. Jackson.  
Aug. 25. Box 3 ; time, 9.18 P.M. ; A. R. Ellis.  
Nov. 8. Box 25 ; time, 12.05 P.M. ; J. D. Spiller.  
Dec. 18. Box 4 ; time, 5.40 P.M. ; J. F. Crosman.  
Dec. 31. Box 5 ; call to Lynn, box 82 ; time, 2.45 P.M.  
Jan. 6. Box 7 ; time, 5.24 P.M. ; J. Nickerson.



- Jan. 15. Box 23; time, 7.40 P.M.; D. K. Phillips.  
Feb. 12. Box 15; time, 12.40 P.M.; telephone pole.  
Feb. 17. Still; time, 10.15 A.M.; John Doig.

#### AGREEMENT.

The agreement with the City of Lynn, with regard to fires, is the same as previous years.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS.

The Board of Engineers would recommend the purchase of 500 feet cotton hose, and that the sum of three hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$375.00) be appropriated for the same. We would also recommend that the sum of one hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$175.00) be appropriated for the purchase of a suitable gong, to be placed on the Hose House at Mountain Park.

#### REMARKS.

The difficulties at all times attending the duties of the Fire Department in a small town, must be obvious to every one; however well equipped, or however well supplied with money the Department may be, these difficulties must be met; the chief one being that the Fire Company is made up of men from all parts of the town, and engaged in various occupations and places; of course, other conditions are not practicable or advisable.

This year the situation has been especially trying, owing to the necessity of forming a new company the first of the year of men with no previous experience in the work; personally, I have always felt that a building might as well burn as to be destroyed in time of fire, by useless tearing down and unnecessary destruction of furniture, as often happens in a small place, and, in view of this, have tried to instruct these men, that their whole mission is to *save* property; with this end in mind, they have worked in a brave, manly, united way that does them credit. To show that their work has been appreciated, it is due them that at least two of the number of letters received, be inserted here.



JANUARY 13TH, 1898.

*E. GERRY EMMONS, Chief Engineer, S. F. D.*

DEAR CHIEF,—Please excuse delay in acknowledging your favor, but Annual Reports at this time of the year occupy much time, consequently the delay.

I want to thank you and the members of your Department for the prompt and efficient manner in which the fire at the factory of John C. Nicholson was handled. It was a good piece of work well done, and you and your Department deserve much credit for the skill and judgment used.

Yours Fraternally,

CHAS. H. DOWNING,

*Chief Engineer, L. F. D.*

BOSTON, MASS., JANUARY 18TH, 1898.

*Mr. E. GERRY EMMONS, Chief Engineer, Swampscott Fire Department, Swampscott, Mass.*

DEAR SIR,—I had occasion yesterday to examine the Phillips' house at Swampscott, in which the fire occurred last Saturday night, and must say never before have I noticed such a condition as I found there. That such a fierce fire as must have occurred there, could be confined almost to one room, and subdued with so small a loss, seems almost incredible and speaks well for the promptness and efficiency of the Department of which you are the head. Very respectfully yours,

W. B. BANIGAN,

*New England Adamant Co.*

The Board of Engineers take this occasion to congratulate the town that they have had so few fires, and without the loss of a single building.

Respectfully submitted,

E. GERRY EMMONS,	}	<i>Board of Engineers.</i>
J. C. MELZARD,		
F. H. BASSETT,		

## Report of The Chief of Police.

### *To the Board of Selectmen :*

I herewith submit the Annual Report of the Police Department, as follows :

Whole number of arrests . . . . .	39
Embezzlement . . . . .	1
Larceny . . . . .	3
Vagrancy . . . . .	2
Track walking . . . . .	1
Unlawful taking . . . . .	2
On suspicion . . . . .	1
Bastardy . . . . .	1
Assault . . . . .	1
Violation of the liquor law . . . . .	3
Drunk . . . . .	16
For safe keeping . . . . .	1
Using threatening language . . . . .	2
Assault and battery . . . . .	1
Malicious mischief . . . . .	4
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### Disposed of as follows:—

Committed to House of Correction . . . . .	1
Committed to Insane Asylum . . . . .	1
Delivered to parents . . . . .	7
Fined and paid . . . . .	4
Fined and served the same . . . . .	2
Bound over to Grand Jury . . . . .	1
Placed on file . . . . .	9

Discharged . . . . .	9
Continued cases . . . . .	1
On probation . . . . .	2
Fined and appealed . . . . .	2
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## SUPERIOR CRIMINAL COURT, JANUARY TERM.

Appealed case, Violation of liquor law . . . . .	2
Plea of guilty entered. Fined and paid	
Amount of fines imposed by Police Court . . . . .	\$360.00
Amount of fines paid . . . . .	85.00
Unable to pay and served the same . . . . .	25.00

## RECEIPTS AND REIMBURSEMENTS.

Mary E. Lodge . . . . .	\$200.00
John Jeffries . . . . .	12.00
Wardwell Bros. . . . .	4.00
Arthur Little . . . . .	10.00
John Shepard . . . . .	1.25
Lynn Police Court fines . . . . .	90.50
Balance of last year's court fines . . . . .	25.00
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	\$342.75

## MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Complaints investigated . . . . .	184
Buildings found open and secured . . . . .	35
Disturbances suppressed without arrest . . . . .	14
Fires extinguished without alarm . . . . .	12
Defective places in streets reported . . . . .	17
Street lights reported out . . . . .	81
Lost children restored to parents . . . . .	7
Stray teams restored to owners . . . . .	2
Search warrants for stolen property served . . . . .	1
Search warrants for liquor served . . . . .	2
Injured and sick persons assisted . . . . .	4
Intoxicated persons assisted home . . . . .	20
Dogs killed . . . . .	5
Accidents reported . . . . .	9

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Tramps sent out of town . . . . .	3
Cases of breaking and entering reported . . . . .	7
Cases of larceny reported . . . . .	18
Value of property stolen . . . . .	\$203.00
Value of property recovered . . . . .	76.00
Assisting other officers . . . . .	8
Street obstructions removed . . . . .	8
Lights furnished for dangerous places . . . . .	4
Lynn Police ambulance calls . . . . .	16

Respectfully submitted,

SETH C. KENDRICK, *Chief of Police.*

SWAMPSCOTT, *February 12, 1898.*

## Report of the Surveyor of Highways.

*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

Stone, gravel and crushed stone have been used on streets as follows:

Name of Street.	No. Loads Gravel	Stone.	Crushed Stone.
Atlantic avenue . . .	155		11 No. 3
Burrill street . . .	30		2 No. 3, 6 No. 4
Beach avenue . . .	24		
Blaney street . . .	5		
Cherry street . . .	48		
Essex street . . .	312		13 No. 3, 6 No. 4
Humphrey street . . .	449		163 No. 3
Hillside avenue . . .	146		38 No. 4
Highland street . . .	140		
Huron street . . .	2		
King street Extension . . .	21		
Orient street . . .	916		86 No. 3, 145 No. 4
Phillips street . . .	4		
Redington street . . .	263		
Rock avenue . . .	2		
Salem street . . .	177	30	

Stone, gravel and crushed stone used on sidewalks.

Name of Street.	No. Loads Gravel	Stone.	Crushed Stone.
Blaney street . . .	18		2 No. 1
Beach Bluff avenue . . .	8		
Burrill street . . .	14		6 No. 1
Beach avenue . . .	8		

Name of Street.	No. Loads Gravel.	Stone.	Crushed Stone.
Columbia street . . .	14		
Essex street . . .	58		
Highland street . . .	6		
Humphrey street . . .	258	32 No. 1, 12 No. 2	
King street . . .	14		
Marshall street . . .	4		
Orient street . . .	284	20 No. 1, 12 No. 2	
Redington street . . .	53		6 No. 1
Rockland street . . .			10 No. 1
Rose street : . . .	2		
Railroad avenue . . .	4		
Thomas Road . . .	6		
Woodbine avenue . . .			4 No. 1

## Gutter scrapings removed from the following streets :

Name of Street.	No. Loads.
Atlantic avenue . . .	59
Beach Bluff avenue . . .	25
Boynton street . . .	7
Beach avenue . . .	5
Burrill street . . .	111
Blaney street . . .	33
Columbia avenue . . .	60
Cherry street . . .	15
Eulow street . . .	6
Essex street . . .	79
Humphrey street . . .	365
Hillside avenue . . .	21
Highland street . . .	2
King street . . .	7
Marshall street . . .	8
Mostyn street . . .	5
New Ocean street . . .	18
Orient street . . .	156
Pine street . . .	63
Phillips street . . .	9

Name of Street.	No. Loads.
Redington street . . . . .	15
Railroad avenue . . . . .	2
Rock avenue . . . . .	5
Rockland street . . . . .	9
Rose street . . . . .	2
Salem street . . . . .	9
Thomas Road . . . . .	13
Woodbine avenue . . . . .	5

## PAVING DEPARTMENT.

Sand and stone used for paving gutters on streets as follows :

Name of Street.	No. of Loads, Stone. Sand.	
Humphrey street . . . . .	22	20
Highland street . . . . .	2	3
King street . . . . .	17	10
Redington street . . . . .	89	65

Laying street crossings on streets as follows :

	No. Block Pavers.	No. Loads Sand.	No. Loads Filling Removed.
Atlantic avenue . . . . .	362	2	4 moved to dump.
Burrill street . . . . .	309	3	6 moved to Essex street.
Phillips street . . . . .	171	3	6 moved to dump.
Redington street . . . . .	137	2	4 moved to Pk reservation.
Railroad avenue . . . . .	667	4	10 moved to Essex street.

Thirty-six loads of sand used for sanding sidewalks.

I would recommend that an appropriation be made for a sidewalk from Stetson avenue to Salem line.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. M. S. PITMAN,

*Surveyor of Highways.*

SWAMPSCOTT, Feb. 16, 1898.



## Report of Superintendent of Cemetery.

*To the Board of Selectmen:*

Nathan M. Harris, 10 months' services as Superintendent from May 1st, 1897, to March 1st, 1898	\$291 70
Nathan M. Harris, 65 $\frac{3}{4}$ days' labor at \$2.00 per day	131 50
E. G. Blaney, flowers for cemetery	36 00
David Proctor, 16 days' labor at \$2.00 per day	32 00
Joseph Spinney, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ days' labor at \$2.00 per day	5 00
Michael McDonough, 2 loads loam, \$1.00 each	2 00
Michael McDonough, 1 day's labor with team	3 50
Benj. Getchell, 1 load of dressing	1 00
G. B. Merrill, changing posts at cemetery	10 10
Geo. H. Holden, supplies	10 64
J. S. Brown, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ days' labor, \$2.00 per day	17 00
E. G. Spaulding, whitening tomb inside	5 85
C. H. Twisden, 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ days' labor	2 50
James Hanley, 1 day's labor	2 00
	\$550 79

No. of lots sold, 4; at \$40.00 each. Lots No. 253, 425, 441, 428.

Cash received for cemetery debris, \$2.00; number of interments, 45; bodies in receiving tomb, 2.

### RECOMMENDATIONS.

The undersigned would recommend that the Town purchase headstones for the public lots to be numbered. For the Superintendent to set the same, and a record be kept by him. That

the graves be levelled off so that they may have the care they need. There is use for about 20 headstones at the present time.

I also recommend that the Town furnish suitable receptacles to be placed in different parts of the cemetery to receive waste that is to be thrown away, which will add to the general cleanliness.

I will recommend that \$50.00 be appropriated for the two recommendations named above.

I would suggest that the Town appoint a committee to inspect the present conditions of the walls and fences which surround the cemetery. It is impossible under the present conditions to keep out the cattle, as the land in the rear is used for a long distance for pasturage during the summer. This committee to report at the adjourned meeting.

NATHAN M. HARRIS, *Supt.*

## Report of Street Light Committee.

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*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

Your committee have attended to the business connected with this department during the year and submit the following report.

On March 1, 1896, we were running 102 arc and 23 incandescent lights, (as per last report.) We have added during the year, 5 arcs and two incandescents, making 107 arcs and 25 incandescents now on our circuits. The poles with the exception of the last three which have been set are now numbered consecutively, a list of which are kept at the power house and at the office of the Lynn Gas and Electric Co.

The numbering of lights has proved a very good thing, particularly when one has been found during the night to be out. Our police have notified the company, at the same time keeping a record by its number, and reporting also to some member of the committee, the chairman being particular to see that the company have the lamp put in working order. This co-operation on the part of our police has been duly appreciated by your committee.

We consider the service given us by the Lynn Gas and Electric Co. in a general term as being satisfactory, though by no means perfect. Perfection in electric lighting has not yet been fully accomplished, and we fail to learn by comparing the power of the light we have with that of other Towns using the same power, where any of these places get more for the same expenditure of money than ourselves. It may be seen by referring to our annual list of appropriations that our street lighting, which up to a few years ago may have been our least important Town

department, stands to-day second in importance, being exceeded only by that of Schools, and yet there are not a few who think that more light is needed.

Applications are frequently made to the committee for new lamps, or the relocation of some already on the circuit, and your committee desire to remind their fellow citizens that when the estimates are made up at each new year they not only cover existing lights, but further provide for those which may look reasonably sure to come by those petitioned for in the annual warrant, hence our surplus for anything beyond this must be limited, and again to relocate a pole, or change the position of a lamp in any way often calls for very delicate supervision, from the fact it has been a fixture and gave satisfaction. It may have been placed when the foliage was asleep, but with the budding of spring and the spreading out of the summer leaves, somebody is blanketed and wants the thing changed. To do so, (while no expense devolves upon the Town, the company always being ready to make whatever changes the committee may suggest), may cause no end of comment to a few, and censure of the committee.

We would recommend that in the establishment of new lights, they be regularly petitioned for either at the regular, or at some special Town meeting called for that purpose, and appropriations for the same.

The question of a Municipal Electric Lighting Plant of our own has been somewhat under discussion at various times by your committee and some of the advantages over our present system considered. How much to our advantage it would seem impossible at this time to demonstrate. There are many difficulties and great liabilities ever before a Company, whether Town or private corporation in conducting a plant of this kind, as for instance in the great snow storm of Feb. 1, which threw down a large number of poles and matted together miles of untangleable wire which nothing but the white heat of a seething furnace could again reclaim in pigs of iron for another revolution into wire, the destruction of costly lamps; wages for a small army of extra linemen with new poles to set, and a thousand and one outlays of money before the service could be fully repaired and in working order. This

may be the exceptional, but is ever liable and would be well, also, to consider as in the case of our neighbor, Marblehead, whose splend did plant we recently visited, great havoc was made along their lines and some five hundred dollars will be required to pay for damage done.

There is no doubt but Marblehead has a very fine lighting plant, and the prospects are that the time is not far distant when it will be self supporting.

Your committee are unanimous in the opinion that the time is not far distant for our Town also, particularly if the appropriations continue to increase, as no doubt they will, and when the Ten Thousand dollar mark is reached we may then, in our opinion, consider the advisability as a Town, of going into the Street Lighting business.

Referring to the recommendation as touched upon last year by our late colleague, Mr. P. H. Ryan, that the Street Light Committee for the ensuing year be instructed to investigate the operation of the several Municipal Lighting Plants within the limits of the State of Massachusetts, your committee will say their investigations have been mostly confined to printed reports, not deeming it proper to make tours of personal observation necessitating outlays of money for expense not authorized by the Town.

We would suggest and further recommend that the incoming committee continue their investigations on the subject of municipal ownership, that the Town may be in possession of facts and figures to enable them to act intelligently, should the time ever come when it may be deemed advisable to go into the business.

Your Committee would recommend an appropriation of Eight Thousand Dollars for the current year.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN A. FARNHAM,  
A. R. BUNTING,  
JOHN R. MERRITT,  
FRANK L. BONNEY,  
MARTIN L. QUINN,

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*Street Light  
Committee.*

## Report of Committee on Sewerage.

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*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

Your Committee who were at the last Annual Town Meeting directed to investigate and report at a future meeting are of the opinion that at this time they are unable to make any definite report to the Town on the Sewerage matter. Since the appointment of your Committee, action has been taken by the Town, looking to the ownership of its water system, either by the purchase of the property of the Marblehead Water Co., or the extension of the Town mains and pipes. The adoption of either of the plans mentioned would require much consideration and large expenditure. In view of the situation, as now presented, your Committee believes that a question of such importance as the ownership of our water plant should first be decided.

We would recommend that a committee of five be appointed to further consider the Sewerage matter, and especially some methods of disposal, and report with recommendations at the next Annual Town Meeting, or a meeting prior thereto.

Respectfully submitted,

A. R. BUNTING,  
E. F. SMALL,  
JAS. H. MOULTON,  
E. H. KITFIELD,  
PELEG GARDNER,  
BENJ. POTTER,  
A. E. HARRIS,  
D. HOLMAN MILLETT,  
ROBT B. WARDWELL,  
FRANK E. INGALLS,  
KENDALL POLLARD.

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AUDITORS' REPORT.

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## Selectmen's Department.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$4,500 00	
Amount overdrawn . . . . .	152 34	
	<hr/>	\$4,652 34
Amount of Expenditures . . . . .		4,652 34
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### EXPENDITURES.

Alger, James E., distributing town reports	\$	3 00	
Ashton, H. F., auditor for 1 year . . . .		50 00	
Brackett, T. W., care of hay-scales 1 year		20 00	
Bradford, F. H., inspector of election, November, 1897 . . . . .		1 50	
Bergen, John T., sundries . . . . .		75	
Brown, James C., use of store for registrars		2 00	
Bubier, N. G., PH. G., analyzing milk and sundries . . . . .		41 60	
Cahoon, L. Frank, balance as chairman auditors, 1896-97 . . . . .		50 00	
Cahoon, J. S., distributing town reports		3 00	
Cahoon, O. M., distributing bills . . . .		1 50	
Carroll, M. P., expenses attending the transfer of 7 tax titles to the town		47 06	
collector of taxes . . . . .		400 00	
sundries . . . . .		23 75	
		<hr/>	470 81
Chapman, John, bondsman for collector of taxes . . . . .			16 66
Corson, Geo. W., teller March election .		3 00	
painting . . . . .		17 00	
		<hr/>	20 00
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Amount carried forward,			\$680 82

## SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$680 82
Crowell, Joseph F., refreshments for town officers, March election . . . . .	35 00	
board of registrars and assessors . .	18 00	
town officers, November election . .	35 00	
	<hr/>	88 00
Delano, Gilbert, services as assessor . .	100 00	
stock and labor . . . . .	22 16	
	<hr/>	122 16
Doane, Geo. H., stock and labor . . . .	5 45	
Douglass, S. F., posting notices . . . .	4 00	
Earp, John B., balance as auditor 1896		
1897 . . . . .	25 00	
Earp, W. G., P. M., stamps and envelopes	13 90	
Ellison, Coolidge & Co., treasurer's bond	75 00	
Evans & Cole, use of teams . . . . .	13 50	
Fairbanks Co., supplies . . . . .	1 00	
Gardner, Peleg, assessor 1 year . . . . .	100 00	
Greenough, Adams & Cushing, supplies .	1 50	
Gilley, Richard G., constable . . . . .	13 00	
Gilley, William, bondsman for collector of taxes . . . . .	16 66	
Gordon, Hiram W., sundries . . . . .	2 01	
Haley, Michael, labor . . . . .	1 00	
Hastings & Sons' Publishing Co., advertising . . . . .	3 45	
Hastings, Wilmot R., services as chairman		
board of selectmen 1 year . . . . .	300 00	
Harris, Charles E., services as milk inspector . . . . .	35 00	
Harris & Dwelley, surveying north shore state road . . . . .	150 00	
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$1,651 45

## SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$1,651 45
Harris, G. W., services as sealer of weights and measures . . . . .	35 00	
painting steps, Kings beach . . . .	3 00	
	<hr/>	38 00
Harris, Samuel T., constable . . . . .		15 00
Hatch, W. M., teller March election . .		3 00
Honors, Benjamin O., treasurer . . . . .	400 00	
stationery and car fare . . . . .	12 50	
	<hr/>	412 50
Honors, S. L., secretary of assessors . . .		25 00
Hunt, A. F., M.D., reporting 8 births . .		2 00
Jackson, Charles T., teller November election . . . . .		3 00
Jeffers, Charles P., supplies . . . . .		36
Kendrick, Mary, storage of life-boat . . .		10 00
Kenney, F. W., M.D., reporting 20 births		5 00
King, G. F. & Co., supplies . . . . .		32 14
King, G. F. & Merrill, supplies . . . . .		2 10
Little, Brown & Co., Massachusetts stat- utes and supplement . . . . .		7 15
Lyons, James T., inspector November election . . . . .		5 00
Marblehead, Town of, tax on gravel pit .		6 45
Martin, Eben, distributing town reports .		3 00
Martin, H. Bryan, teller March election .		3 00
Maxfield, E. A., secretary board of auditors 1 year . . . . .		75 00
Meek, Henry M., 2 directories . . . . .		4 00
Melzard, George T., selectman 1 year . .		200 00
Melzard, John E., painting signs . . . .	5 00	
distributing bills with teams . . . .	5 00	
	<hr/>	10 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$2,513 15

## SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$2,513 15
Meramble, C. E., M.D., reporting 3 births		75
Merritt, Jay C., balance auditor, 1896-97 .	25 00	
chairman board of auditors, 1 year, 1897-98 . . . . .	75 00	
	<hr/>	100 00
Merritt, John R., moderator . . . . .		25 00
Millett, D. Holman, chairman of assessors		200 00
Moulton, James H., selectman . . . . .		200 00
Morris, Oscar F., teller March election . .	3 00	
teller November election . . . . .	3 00	
	<hr/>	6 00
Mower, Earle A., 63 returns of death . .		15 75
Murphy, P. B., painting . . . . .		1 50
Newhall, George, inspector of cattle, pro- visions, etc., 11 months . . . . .		91 63
Newhall, H. W., M. D., reporting 4 births		1 00
Nichols, G. H. & A. L., printing . . . . .		59 50
Nichols, Thomas P., printing 1,250 reports	345 60	
printing . . . . .	57 50	
	<hr/>	403 10
Niles & Carr, services as town counsel, year ending March 31, 1897 . . . . .	200 00	
legal services, Porter vs. town . . . .	128 15	
	<hr/>	328 15
Nisbett, D. W., registrar of voters . . . .		35 00
Olson, Andrew, inspector March election	5 00	
teller November election . . . . .	3 00	
	<hr/>	8 00
Owens, Jefferson G., constable . . . . .		2 50
Philbrick & Pope, sundries . . . . .		80
Porter, Frank V., teller March election . .	3 00	
teller November election . . . . .	3 00	
	<hr/>	6 00
Reed, B. F., distributing bills . . . . .		1 50
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		<hr/> \$3,999 33

## SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$3,999 33
Roberts, C. K. & W. H., expressing . . .		3 25
Roberts, Daniel, estate of rent of land for hay scales and drinking fountain, 1896-97 . . . . .		24 00
Rich, B. F., distributing town reports with team . . . . .	5 00	
ballot clerk March election . . . . .	5 00	
inspector November election . . . . .	5 00	
		<hr/> 15 00
Rowell, C. G., witnessing documents . . .		1 00
Russell, Edmund, teller March election . .	3 00	
use of team . . . . .	1 50	
		<hr/> 4 50
Ryan, M. J., labor . . . . .		1 00
Shattuck, S. M., teller March election . .		3 00
Small, J. P., lock and keys . . . . .		85
Stadly, Geo. W. & Co., atlas of the Town of Swampscott . . . . .		20 00
Stanley, John, bondsman for collector of taxes . . . . .		16 66
Stanley, J. G., teller November election . .		3 00
Stimpson, D. P., insurance on stone crusher plant . . . . .		45 00
Stone, Abram G., teller November election	3 00	
labor . . . . .	5 00	
		<hr/> 8 00
Thing, Ernest B., registrar of voters . . .		35 00
Till, George T. town clerk . . . . .	100 00	
clerk of board of selectmen . . . . .	200 00	
clerk of registrars . . . . .	45 00	
recording births, deaths and marriages	55 75	
sundries . . . . .	10 50	
		<hr/> 411 25
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		<hr/> \$4,590 84

SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$4,590 84
Thomas, Edward H., teller November election . . . . .	3 00
Thompson, Waldo & Son, services . .	6 00
Thurston, Frank D., teller March election	3 00
Thurston, John W., registrar of voters .	35 00
Tuttle, Edgar M., teller November election	3 00
Wheeler, James, estate of James Wheeler, constable 1896 . . . . .	6 00
Wiley, E. F., distributing town reports with team . . . . .	5 50
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	\$4,652 34
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## School Department.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$16,000 00	
Receipts . . . . .	87 24	
		<hr/> \$16,087 24
Amount of expenditure . . . . .	\$15,656 26	
Balance unexpended . . . . .	430 98	
		<hr/> \$16,087 24

### EXPENDITURES.

Allyn & Bacon, books . . . . .	\$	35 35	
American Book Co., books . . . . .		98 08	
American Express Co., expressing . . . . .		15 70	
Babb, Edward E. & Co., books . . . . .		30 71	
Badger, W. B. & Co., desk and chair . . . . .		21 00	
Bain, Charlotte, teacher . . . . .		186 00	
Bailey, E. M., school committee . . . . .	100 00		
sundries . . . . .	1 40		
		<hr/> 101 40	
Barnard, F. J. & Co., binding books . . . . .		83 17	
Balch, Gardner P., principal High School . . . . .		1,700 04	
Bill, E. A., teacher . . . . .	750 00		
music . . . . .	3 50		
		<hr/> 753 50	
Bodrick School Furniture Co., desks . . . . .		58 00	
Boston School Supply Co., books . . . . .		15 10	
Boyl, D. T., labor . . . . .		4 00	
Burns & Bee, repairs, Phillips school . . . . .		80 00	
Bryson, James, labor with team . . . . .		7 00	
Cahill, Thomas, labor . . . . .		4 00	
Castor, T. H. & Co., books . . . . .		5 66	
Casey, Bridget, janitress . . . . .		100 08	
Chase, John E., labor with team . . . . .		7 00	
Cobb & Son, expressing . . . . .		70	
Coan, Harriet, janitress . . . . .		100 08	
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>			\$3,400 57



## SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$3,400 57
Coan, Peter, labor . . . . .	2 00
Delano, Gilbert, stock and labor . . . .	187 22
Delory, Walter A., stock and labor . . .	12 57
Dennison Mfg. Co., supplies . . . . .	15 22
Dewing, Ellen M., teacher . . . . .	600 00
DeWolfe, Fiske & Co., books . . . . .	34 36
Eastman, E. S., cleaning and repairing clocks . . . . .	9 50
Educational Publishing Co., books . . .	90
Ellis, Emily P., teacher . . . . .	425 05
Evans & Cole, labor with team . . . . .	2 50
Farnham, Edith A., teacher . . . . .	180 00
Fernald, M. H., teacher . . . . .	600 00
Fiske, C. M., five fire extinguishers . .	72 50
Gardner, Edith S., teacher . . . . .	425 05
Gardner, Peleg, stock and labor . . . .	92 95
Getchell, B. T., cleaning vaults . . . .	21 75
Ginn & Co., books . . . . .	221 65
Glass, Joseph W., labor at Phillips school	80
Gould, Francis A., teacher . . . . .	600 00
Hadley, Elizabeth J., teacher . . . . .	600 00
Haley, Michael, labor . . . . .	4 00
Haley, William, labor . . . . .	10 00
Hammett, J. L. & Co., supplies . . . . .	31 04
Heath, D. C., books . . . . .	33 46
Herbert, Geo. C. & Co., supplies . . . .	5 00
Hill, John L., tuning piano . . . . .	4 00
Holden, Geo. H. & Co., supplies . . . .	34 61
Honors, B. O. & Son, fuel . . . . .	1,151 67
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., books . . . .	31 28
Hutchinson, W. H., sundries . . . . .	5 00
Hutt, M. Isabelle, teacher . . . . .	574 98
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$9,389 63

## SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$9,389 63
Ingalls, Frank E., chairman school committee . . . . .	200 00
Ingalls, Mabel E., teacher . . . . .	475 02
Ingalls & Kendricken, stock and labor . . . . .	77 60
Jackson, May E., teacher . . . . .	425 05
Jeffers, C. P., sundries . . . . .	4 05
Jordan, Marsh & Co., bookcase . . . . .	42 00
Kain, D. J., labor . . . . .	5 00
Kektograph Mfg. Co., supplies . . . . .	3 30
Kendall, H. C., filling in diplomas . . . . .	2 00
King, G. F. & Merrill, supplies . . . . .	49 71
King, G. F. & Co., supplies . . . . .	284 26
Knicht, Mabel S. . . . .	525 06
Leach, Shewell & Sanborn, books . . . . .	35 53
Leroyd, J. P. services for lecture at Phillips Schoool . . . . .	5 00
Lynn Gas & Electric Co., gas . . . . .	9 72
Machon, Emma J., teacher . . . . .	450 00
Mahan, John, labor . . . . .	7 00
Marblehead Water Co., water rates . . . . .	110 00
labor . . . . .	1 25
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	111 25
Martin, Gratin, expressing . . . . .	75
Matsuki, Bunkis, vase . . . . .	1 75
Maynard, Merrill & Co., books . . . . .	2 70
Morse Co., map . . . . .	30
Murphy, Leavens & Co., supplies . . . . .	15 69
Nichols, C. A. & Co., books . . . . .	30 00
Nichols, Thomas P., printing . . . . .	55 25
Peabody, Whitney Co., sundries . . . . .	9 00
Philbrick & Pope, plumbing . . . . .	58 51
Phillips & Adams, painting and glazing . . . . .	9 80
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$12,284 93

## SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$12,284 93
Puritan Publishing Co., books . . . . .	3 50
Pratt & Babb, expressing . . . . .	3 23
Prang Educational Co., supplies . . . . .	139 88
Rand, McNally & Co., books . . . . .	31 92
Rich, John C., sawdust and teaming . . . . .	1 10
Rideout, A. Lillian, teacher . . . . .	600 00
Roberts, C. K. & W. H., expressing . . . . .	23 75
Rodrick, A. F., labor . . . . .	4 00
Rodrick, Charles, janitor . . . . .	637 53
sundries . . . . .	35 40
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	672 93
Rowell, C. G., stock and labor Essex street vault . . . . .	67 77
Ryan, M. J., labor . . . . .	6 00
Shaw, S. H., labor with team . . . . .	7 00
Silver, Burdett & Co., supplies . . . . .	21 16
Sleeper, G. E. & Co., plumbing . . . . .	31 80
Small, E. F., school committee . . . . .	100 00
Small, J. P., labor . . . . .	1 10
Small, Willard, book . . . . .	50
Son, Daniel Pratt, two clocks . . . . .	8 00
Spurr, W. B., flags . . . . .	5 10
Stanley, L. C., teacher . . . . .	450 00
Stimpson, D. P., insurance . . . . .	38 63
Stone, Abram G., janitor . . . . .	450 00
Sulpho Napthal Co., supplies . . . . .	3 00
Thompson, Brown & Co., supplies . . . . .	68 72
Till, Geo. T., supplies . . . . .	29 47
Titus, Buckley & Co., chairs, . . . . .	7 87
Chair rental . . . . .	12 25
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	20 12
Tuttle & Edgerly, excavating cellar . . . . .	29 76
Verry, Mabel F., teacher . . . . .	450 00
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$15,553 37

### SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$15,553 37
Wadsworth, Howland & Co , supplies .	68 30
Ware, William & Co , supplies and books	20 35
Werner School Book Co., books . . . .	14 24
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	\$15,656 26

### RECEIPTS.

Rent of school-room . . . . .	\$50 00	
Thompson, Brown & Co., amount overpaid and books exchanged . . . . .	37 24	
	<hr/>	\$87 24

### Phillips School Medal Fund.

On deposit in Lynn Five Cents Savings Bank . . . . .	\$500 00	
Interest to Jan. 1, 1898 . . . . .	63 06	
	<hr/>	\$563 06
On deposit in Lynn Institution for Savings	500 00	
Interest to Nov. 1, 1897 . . . . .	63 06	
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		\$1,126 12

### Chemical Laboratory.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$2,500 00	
Amount overdrawn . . . . .	07	
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Amount of expenditures . . . . .		\$2,500 07

CHEMICAL LABORATORY.

EXPENDITURES.

Delory, Walter A., stock and labor . . .	\$58 81
Harris & Dwelly, services . . . . .	3 50
King, G. F. & Co., supplies . . . . .	5 76
Knott, L. E., Apparatus Co., supplies . .	470 25
Paine Furniture Co., stools and desks . .	23 20
Ritchie, E. S. & Sons, supplies . . . . .	23 17
Thompson, Waldo & Son, insurance . . .	25 00
Titus & Poor, contract and extras . . .	1,726 70
Tuttle & Edgerly, labor and sundries on foundations . . . . .	59 85
labor . . . . .	13 83
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Wheeler, Holman K., specification and supervision . . . . .	90 00
	<hr/> \$2,500 07

Fire Department.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$5,000 00
Receipts . . . . .	1,085 86
Amount overdrawn . . . . .	255 95
	<hr/> \$6,341 81
Amount of expenditures . . . . .	<hr/> \$6,341 81

EXPENDITURES.

American Express Co., expressing . . .	\$ 2 70
American Fire Engine Co., 8 water flues .	11 95
sundries . . . . .	26 75
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Ames & Co., standard food . . . . .	6 00
	<hr/> \$47 40

*Amount carried forward,*

## FIRE DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$47 40
Bachelor, O. L., services . . . . .	10 00
Baker, F. A., sundries . . . . .	1 52
Barnes, A. T., services . . . . .	5 83
Bassett, F. H., services as assistant engineer . . . . .	37 50
Bergen, John T., blacksmithing . . . . .	4 25
Bessom, F. N., services . . . . .	26 25
Blaney, E. G., Jr., services . . . . .	5 83
Bonney, G. C., services . . . . .	16 11
Boston Woven Hose & Rubber Co., supplies . . . . .	22 00
hose and repairs . . . . .	35 80
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	57 80
Breed, S. N. & Co., supplies . . . . .	11 03
Brockway-Smith Corporation, supplies . . . . .	18 59
Brown, H. B., services . . . . .	51 86
Butman, J. & W. W., supplies . . . . .	3 00
Cahoon, Geo P., balance services as chief engineer . . . . .	150 00
Cahoon, Geo. W., services . . . . .	23 33
Cahoon, Oscar M., services . . . . .	35 21
Carroll, W. H., services . . . . .	14 60
Caverly, J. L., hay and grain . . . . .	310 13
Chapman Valve Mfg. Co., sundries . . . . .	1 28
Chapman, F. L., services . . . . .	5 83
Chase, F. G., services . . . . .	13 16
Clark, W. S., services . . . . .	131 00
Clark, Lewis G., services . . . . .	5 83
Cobb & Son, expressing . . . . .	2 25
Coffin, H. W., services . . . . .	176 45
Collins, C. H., services . . . . .	135 00
Collins, C. A., services . . . . .	5 83
Connell, C., services . . . . .	26 25
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$1,333 12

## FIRE DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$1,333 12
Corson, G. W., services . . . . .	8 73
Crowell, J. B., services . . . . .	1 45
Curtis & Bubier, supplies . . . . .	56
Curtis, J. F., services . . . . .	20 37
Davey, Thomas & Co., supplies . . . . .	1 30
Earp, John B., services . . . . .	5 83
Easterbrook, H. H., 1 copy Massachusetts fire laws . . . . .	1 00
Eastman, E. S., repairing clock . . . . .	1 00
Emerson, Daniel, M. D. V., professional services . . . . .	12 50
Emmons, E. Gerry, services as chief engi- neer . . . . .	187 50
stock and labor . . . . .	26 80
	<hr/> 214 30
Evans & Cole, use of horses . . . . .	60 75
Farrington, C., labor on harnesses . . . . .	1 15
Foster, G. D., services . . . . .	5 83
Gardner, Peleg, stock and labor . . . . .	7 11
Getchell, B. T., cleaning vault . . . . .	6 00
Glazier & Briggs, labor on steamer . . . . .	5 70
Goodwin, Frank, services . . . . .	5 83
Hanson, J. & Son, supplies . . . . .	2 00
Hawes, J. B., services . . . . .	5 83
Hight, Howard, services . . . . .	5 84
Holbrook, Amos, services . . . . .	5 83
Holden, G. H. & Co., supplies . . . . .	259 16
Honors, B. O. & Son, fuel . . . . .	204 03
Jackson, A. S., supplies . . . . .	75 88
Jackson, Thomas, labor . . . . .	11 00
Jeffers, Chas. P., supplies . . . . .	1 00
Jennings, Harry, hay and grain . . . . .	131 05
Kendrick, Clarence D., services . . . . .	6 67
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$2,400 82



## FIRE DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$2,400 82
Kennison, J. B., use of water cart . . . .		5 00
Kezer, L. F., services . . . . .		5 83
King, G. F. & Co., supplies . . . . .		6 15
Lampard, G. H., services . . . . .		5 83
Little, T. L. Oil Co., oil . . . . .		4 88
Lovell, John P. Arms Co., supplies . . . .		2 16
Lynn Electric Dept., supplies . . . . .		10 56
Lynn Gas & Electric Co., gas . . . . .		54 46
Lynn Public Water Board, hydrant . . . .		33 00
Mahan, J. C., services . . . . .		26 24
Marblehead Water Co., stock and labor .	100 84	
expense for whistle : . . . . .	14 52	
	<hr/>	115 36
Melzard, John E., services as assistant en-		
gineer . . . . .	38 00	
stock and labor . . . . .	57 71	
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Merrill, F. E., services . . . . .		85 73
Mitchell, A. W. Mfg. Co., 3 badges . . . .		6 00
Mitchell, E. E., services . . . . .		2 91
Mitchell, J., services . . . . .		14 55
Moore, C. M. & Son, use of water cart . . .		50 00
Moulton, C. W. H. & Co., ladder . . . . .		6 60
Mullen, L. C., services . . . . .		5 83
Nickerson, Geo. M. & Co., plumbing . . . .		9 20
New England Telephone & Telegraph Co.,		
rent and tolls . . . . .		72 34
Oulton, J. W. & Co., supplies . . . . .		1 75
Owens, Jefferson G., services . . . . .	45 77	
blacksmithing . . . . .	98 90	
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Page, F. A., services . . . . .		789 00
Pedrick, H. G., services . . . . .		5 83
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$3,960 41

## FIRE DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$3,960 41
Pickard, L. W., services . . . . .	658 00
Philbrick & Pope, stock and labor . . .	26 65
Phillips, Jas. E., balance services as assist- ant engineer . . . . .	8 33
Phillips, Warren W., bedding . . . . .	10 05
Plumstead, M. & Son, supplies . . . . .	60 10
Pray, William B., services . . . . .	47 83
Reed, George, services . . . . .	3 00
Reed, Elmer, services . . . . .	10 50
Rich, B. F., services . . . . .	2 00
Roberts, C. K., balance services as assist- ant engineer . . . . .	8 33
Roberts, C. P., services . . . . .	23 28
Roberts, C. K. & W. H., expressing . . .	25 90
Rogers, A. F., services . . . . .	9 83
Rowell, Arthur, stock and labor . . . .	1 50
Rowell, C. G., services . . . . .	5 83
Rowell, G. W., services . . . . .	26 25
Ryan, John, services . . . . .	6 00
Russell, Edwin, services . . . . .	5 83
Saville, Somes & Co., supplies . . . . .	5 92
Sawyer, Chase & Co., repairs . . . . .	85
Selman, W. L. & Co., team hire . . . . .	3 50
Smith, Alonzo H., supplies . . . . .	15 40
Smith, Robert, services . . . . .	9 22
Smith, W. I., supplies . . . . .	40
Spinney, J. D., services . . . . .	27 83
Stevens, Geo. M., 1-3 circuit repeater . .	300 00
supplies and labor . . . . .	153 92
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	453 92
Stimpson, D. P., insurance . . . . .	30 00
Stratton, Frank B., M. D. V., professional services . . . . .	7 00
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$5,453 66

## FIRE DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$5,453 66
Taylor, E. B., services . . . . .		26 25
Thomas, Walter A., services . . . . .		26 19
Till, Geo. T., supplies . . . . .		13 75
Titus & Buckley Co., supplies . . . . .		23 35
Titus & Poor, stock and labor . . . . .		15 27
Twisden, C. H., services . . . . .		4 17
Tyler, T. Frank & Co., supplies . . . . .		2 15
United States Fire and Police Telegraph Co		
indicator and system inspected . .	100 00	
repairing . . . . .	15 00	
	<hr/>	115 00
Walker, Pratt Mfg. Co., 1 water heater .		4 50
Warnock, James, services . . . . .	645 00	
sundries . . . . .	2 52	
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Webster, G. C., supplies . . . . .		3 00
Young, Frank L. & Kimball, 1 barrel of oil		7 00
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		\$6,341 81

## RECEIPTS.

Owens, J. G., rent of old engine house . .	45 77
Telephone tolls . . . . .	2 59

## CREDIT BY LABOR.

Highway . . . . .	86 25
Watering streets . . . . .	951 25
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	\$1,085 86

## Fire Alarm Box.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$100 00
Amount expenditures . . . . .	\$80 00	
Balance unexpended . . . . .	20 00	
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FIRE ALARM BOX.

EXPENDITURES.

Stevens, Geo. M , fire alarm box . . . . .	\$80 00
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Fire Ladders.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$255 00
Amount of expenditures . . . . .	\$252 50	
Balance unexpended . . . . .	2 50	
		<u>\$255 00</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Moulton, C. W. H. & Co., ladders . . . . .	\$252 50
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Hose House.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$250 00
Amount of expenditures . . . . .	\$227 16	
Balance unexpended . . . . .	22 84	
		<u>\$250 00</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Breed, S. N. & Co., stock . . . . .	25 48
Brockway-Smith Corporation, supplies . . . . .	16 68
Delano, Gilbert, stock and labor as per contract . . . . .	165 00
Quinn, Martin L. & Co., roofing . . . . .	20 00
	<u>\$227 16</u>

Engine House Repairs.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$350 00
Amount of expenditures . . . . .	\$345 32	
Balance unexpended . . . . .	4 68	
		<u>\$350 00</u>

## ENGINE HOUSE REPAIRS.

## EXPENDITURES.

Delano, Gilbert, stock and labor . . . .	\$76 85
Quinn, Martin L. & Co., roofing . . . .	45 00
Rowell, Edgar W., stock and labor . . . .	20 00
Rowell, C. G., stock and labor . . . . .	9 47
Russell, Edmund, painting . . . . .	189 00
Smith, W. M., whitewashing . . . . .	5 00
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	\$345 32

## Highway Department.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$4,500 00
Special appropriation Sept. 30, 1897 . . .	1,000 00
Receipts . . . . .	6 00
Amount overdrawn . . . . .	163 63
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Amount of expenditures . . . . .	\$5,669 63
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## EXPENDITURES.

Boston Belting Co., belt . . . . .	\$ 5 04
Boyden, W. M., labor . . . . .	8 00
Boyl, D. T., labor . . . . .	39 00
Burnett, James, labor . . . . .	10 00
Burnett, J. W., labor . . . . .	8 50
Brackett, T. W., labor . . . . .	13 00
Breed, S. N. & Co., supplies . . . . .	29 36
Brockway-Smith Corporation, supplies . .	20 70
Bryson, James, labor with team . . . .	42 00
Cahill, Thomas, labor . . . . .	344 20
Cahoon, H. L., labor . . . . .	8 00
Cahoon, J. S., labor . . . . .	2 00

*Amount carried forward,*

\$529 80

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$529 80
Carr, C. H., labor . . . . .	6 00
Carroll, Patrick, labor . . . . .	151 50
Chase, John E., labor with team . . . .	126 00
Coan, Peter, labor . . . . .	250 00
Cooney, J. C., labor . . . . .	8 00
Cullen, H., sundries and blacksmithing . .	20 75
Crowell, J. B., labor . . . . .	10 00
Delory, Walter A., supplies . . . . .	12 60
Dyer, T. S., labor . . . . .	2 00
Eastman, Fred H., surveying . . . . .	5 50
Evans & Cole, labor with team . . . . .	470 37
Falls, F. L., labor . . . . .	7 00
Finnegan, J. F., labor . . . . .	13 00
Finnegan, W. L., labor . . . . .	2 00
Fire Department, labor with team . . . .	86 25
Gannon, W. F., labor with team . . . . .	64 75
Gardner, C. H., labor . . . . .	8 00
Gardner, Peleg, stock and labor . . . . .	1 66
Goodwin, Frank, labor . . . . .	6 00
Granger, S. G., labor with team . . . . .	170 62
Griffin, John, labor . . . . .	8 00
Grove, J. M. & Co., 37-foot ladder . . . .	11 00
Haley, Michael, labor . . . . .	136 50
Haley, William, labor . . . . .	214 50
Hamilton, J. S., labor . . . . .	3 00
Hammond, Stephen, labor . . . . .	5 00
Harris, C. E., labor . . . . .	5 00
Harris, G. W., labor . . . . .	7 00
Hawes, J. B., labor with team . . . . .	76 25
Holden, Geo. H. & Co., sundries . . . . .	11 21
Honors, B. O. & Son, fuel . . . . .	6 00
Jackson, Geo. A., 110 loads of gravel @ 15c	16 50
Jewett, Henry C., paint . . . . .	1 09
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<u>\$2,452 85</u>

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$2,452 85
Jordan, Thomas, labor . . . . .	6 00
Kain, D. J., labor . . . . .	197 50
Kehoe, O. L., labor . . . . .	3 00
Kennedy, F. P., labor . . . . .	7 00
Lampard Geo. H., paint . . . . .	1 50
Lyons, J. T., labor . . . . .	8 00
Mahan, John, labor . . . . .	192 00
Mahan, William, labor . . . . .	2 00
Maker, C. H., labor . . . . .	8 00
Martin, B. A., labor . . . . .	6 00
Martin, P. A., labor . . . . .	6 00
Martin, Richard, labor . . . . .	175 00
Monahan, P. J., labor . . . . .	4 00
Myers, Daniel, labor . . . . .	40 00
McDermott, Bryan, labor . . . . .	14 60
McDermott, B. M., labor . . . . .	8 00
McDonough, Mrs. John, labor with team .	351 12
Newhall, George, labor . . . . .	16 00
Nickerson, Josiah, labor . . . . .	8 00
Nichols, G. H. & A. L., printing . . . .	6 00
Nies, C. E., labor with team . . . . .	73 75
Nies, J. P., labor with team . . . . .	66 50
Olson, Peter, labor . . . . .	7 00
Owens, Jefferson G., blacksmithing . . .	30 58
Paine, G. H., engineer stone crusher . .	15 00
Pecker, James, labor . . . . .	3 00
Pedrick, B. C., labor . . . . .	8 00
Philbrick & Pope, sundries . . . . .	28 22
Pitman, J. P. M. S., 45 weeks' superin- tendent . . . . .	900 00
Rich, R. L., labor . . . . .	8 00
Roberts, E. B, labor with team . . . .	75 25
Rowell, Arthur, stock and labor . . . .	1 25
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$4,729 12



## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$4,729 12
Rowell, C. G., stock and labor . . . . .	16 85
Rowell, E. W., labor . . . . .	6 00
Russell, Edmund, labor . . . . .	5 00
Ryan, Michael, labor . . . . .	67 50
Ryan, M. J., labor . . . . .	275 30
Ryan, Timothy, labor . . . . .	165 50
Shaw, S. H., labor with team . . . . .	271 24
Slattery, J. P., labor . . . . .	4 00
Sleeper, Geo. E. & Co, 200 loads of gravel	20 00
Spinney, J. D., labor . . . . .	8 00
Stone, A. D., labor . . . . .	9 00
Stubbs, A. D., labor . . . . .	6 00
Thing, F. H., labor . . . . .	8 00
Thurston, F. D., labor . . . . .	6 00
Titus & Poor, stock and labor . . . . .	40 12
Union Snow Plough & Wagon Co., 2 shoes for plough . . . . .	4 50
Wardwell, H. W., labor . . . . .	19 50
Wiley, E. T., labor . . . . .	8 00
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	\$5,669 63

## RECEIPTS.

From sundry parties . . . . .	\$6 00
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## King Street Extension.

Balance March 1st, 1897 . . . . .	\$240 87
Amount of expenditures . . . . .	\$83 99
Balance unexpended . . . . .	156 88
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	\$240 87

## KING STREET EXTENSION.

## EXPENDITURES.

Carroll, M. P., wheelbarrow . . . . .	\$ 2 25
Granger, S. G., labor with team . . . . .	10 00
Haley, William, labor . . . . .	2 00
Kain, D. J., labor . . . . .	19 37
Mahan, John, labor . . . . .	2 00
Martin, Richard, labor . . . . .	15 50
Ryan, M. J., labor . . . . .	23 25
Shaw, S. H., labor with team . . . . .	9 62
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	\$83 99

## Street Crossings

Appropriation . . . . .	\$600 00	
Receipts . . . . .	94 41	
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Amount of expenditures . . . . .	537 05	
Balance unexpended . . . . .	157 36	
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## EXPENDITURES.

Blethen, Curry & Co., crossing stone . .	\$426 43
Coan, Peter, labor . . . . .	25 00
Eastman, Fred H., surveying . . . . .	6 50
Haley, Michael, labor . . . . .	9 00
Kain, D. J., labor . . . . .	31 87
Ryan, M. J., labor . . . . .	38 25
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	\$537 05

## REIMBURSEMENT.

Boston & Maine Railroad . . . . .	\$94 41
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### Redington Street Ledge.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$550 00	
Amount overdrawn . . . . .	23 77	
	<hr/>	\$573 77
Amount of expenditures . . . . .		<u>\$573 77</u>

#### EXPENDITURES.

Boyl, D. T., labor . . . . .	\$10 00
Bryson, James, labor with team . . . . .	15 75
Cahill, Thomas, labor . . . . .	12 00
Carroll, Patrick, labor . . . . .	32 50
Chase, John E., labor with team . . . . .	15 75
Coan, Peter, labor . . . . .	35 00
Eastman, Fred H., surveying . . . . .	12 50
Granger, S. G., labor with team . . . . .	33 25
Griffin, John, labor . . . . .	20 50
Haley, Michael, labor . . . . .	41 50
Haley, William, labor . . . . .	6 00
Jackson, George A., rebuilding wall dis- placed by blasting . . . . .	25 00
Kain, D. J., labor . . . . .	32 25
Mahan, John, labor . . . . .	16 00
Martin, P. A., labor . . . . .	20 50
Martin, Richard, labor . . . . .	30 50
McDonough, John Mrs., labor with team . . . . .	10 00
Ryan, M. J., labor . . . . .	45 50
Ryan, Timothy, labor . . . . .	24 50
Shaw, S. H., labor with team . . . . .	2 62
Till, Geo. T., 16 loads gravel . . . . .	2 40
Thurston, F. D., labor . . . . .	20 50
Tuttle & Edgerly, drilling and blasting . . . . .	109 25
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	<u>\$573 77</u>

### Humphrey Street Drain.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$650 00	
Amount overdrawn . . . . .	24 03	
	<hr/>	\$674 03
Amount of expenditures . . . . .		\$674 03

#### EXPENDITURES.

Blethen, Curry & Co., catch-basin stones .	\$18 00	
Breed, S. N. & Co., lumber . . . . .	17 27	
Boyl, D. T., labor . . . . .	9 00	
Bryson, James, labor with team . . . . .	1 75	
Cahill, Thos., labor . . . . .	13 00	
Carroll, Patrick, labor . . . . .	25 00	
Coan, Peter, labor . . . . .	27 00	
Eastman, Fred H., surveying . . . . .	25 00	
Evans & Cole, labor with team . . . . .	12 50	
Granger, S. G., labor with team . . . . .	35 25	
Griffin, John, labor . . . . .	8 00	
Haley, Michael, labor . . . . .	18 00	
Haley, Wm., labor . . . . .	3 00	
Kain, D. J., labor . . . . .	31 00	
Mahan, John, labor . . . . .	3 00	
Martin, P. A., labor . . . . .	12 00	
Martin, Richard, labor . . . . .	30 00	
McDonough, John Mrs., labor with team .	20 00	
Nies, Martin, labor with team . . . . .	12 25	
Philbrick & Pope, drain pipe and teaming	195 65	
Rowell, C. G., stock and labor . . . . .	30 59	
Ryan, M. J., labor . . . . .	40 00	
Ryan, Michael, labor . . . . .	3 00	
Ryan, Timothy, labor . . . . .	12 00	
Shaw, S. H., labor with team . . . . .	10 50	
Smith, Alonzo H., catch-basin cover . . .	5 50	
Thurston, F. D., labor . . . . .	17 00	
Titus & Poor, stock and labor . . . . .	38 77	
	<hr/>	\$674 03

### Catch Basins and Gutters.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$500 00
Amount of expenditures . . . . .	\$177 15	
Balance unexpended . . . . .	322 85	
		<u>\$500 00</u>

#### EXPENDITURES.

Boyl, D. T., labor . . . . .	\$ 2 00
Eastman, Fred H., surveying . . . . .	5 00
Granger, S. G., labor with team . . . . .	5 00
Kain, D. J., labor . . . . .	40 00
Martin, Richard, labor . . . . .	32 00
McDonough, John Mrs., labor with team . . . . .	17 50
Rowell, Arthur, stock and labor . . . . .	6 65
Ryan, M. J., labor . . . . .	48 00
Shaw, S. H., labor with team . . . . .	21 00
	<u>\$177 15</u>

### Essex Street Fence.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$250 00
Amount of expenditures . . . . .	\$246 37	
Balance unexpended . . . . .	3 63	
		<u>\$250 00</u>

#### EXPENDITURES.

Boyl, D. T., labor . . . . .	\$ 9 00
Cahill, Thomas, labor . . . . .	9 00
Eastman, Fred H., surveying . . . . .	6 00
Galeucia, Charles O., stock and labor . . . . .	25 00
Nies, J. P., labor . . . . .	15 75
Titus & Poor, stock and labor . . . . .	181 62
	<u>\$246 37</u>

### Sidewalks.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$1,000 00
Amount of expenditures . . . . .	\$914 82	
Balance unexpended . . . . .	85 18	
	<hr/>	<hr/> \$1,000 00

### EXPENDITURES.

Boyl, D. T., labor . . . . .	\$12 00
Cahill, Thomas, labor . . . . .	60 50
Cahoon, J. S., labor . . . . .	5 00
Carroll, Patrick, labor . . . . .	61 50
Coan, Peter, labor . . . . .	35 50
Chase, John E., labor with team . . . . .	12 25
Evans & Cole, labor with team . . . . .	45 00
Granger, S. G., labor with team . . . . .	102 50
Gardner, Peleg, stock and labor . . . . .	37 57
Haley, Michael, labor . . . . .	53 50
Haley, William, labor . . . . .	22 50
Kain, D. J., labor . . . . .	4 00
Mahan, John, labor . . . . .	25 50
Mahan, W. H., labor . . . . .	7 00
Martin, P. A., labor . . . . .	14 50
Martin, Richard, labor . . . . .	28 00
Marsh, Edward, Jr., labor . . . . .	1 00
McDonough, John Mrs., labor with team . . . . .	120 00
Nies, J. P., labor with team . . . . .	19 25
Nies, Martin, labor . . . . .	8 75
Pitman, J. P. M. S., superintendent 7 weeks . . . . .	140 00
Roberts, E. B., labor with team . . . . .	12 25
Ryan, M. J., labor . . . . .	4 00
Ryan, Timothy, labor . . . . .	56 50
Shaw, S. H., labor with team . . . . .	26 25
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	<hr/> \$914 82

### Concrete and Curbstones.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$500 00	
Reimbursements . . . . .	387 40	
Due to Town . . . . .	27 32	
Amount overdrawn . . . . .	2 13	
	<hr/>	\$916 85
Amount of expenditures . . . . .		<hr/> <hr/> \$916 85

### EXPENDITURES.

Blethen, Curry Co., edge and curbstones .	\$522 04
Cahill, Thomas, labor . . . . .	8 00
Carroll, Patrick, labor . . . . .	10 00
Coan, Peter, labor . . . . .	38 00
Eastman, Fred H., surveying . . . . .	34 70
Haley, Michael, labor . . . . .	27 00
Hook, Hiram, laying and repairing concrete . . . . .	49 18
Kain, D. J., labor . . . . .	61 25
Martin, Richard, labor . . . . .	41 00
Phillips, D. K., laying curbstones . . . . .	40 98
Ryan, M. J., labor . . . . .	73 50
Ryan, Timothy, labor . . . . .	8 00
Shattuck & Delano, oil and wicks . . . . .	3 20
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### REIMBURSEMENTS.

Brooks, G. C. . . . .	\$ 5 00
Phillips, L. H. . . . .	303 67
Smith, George . . . . .	31 62
Williams, G. E. . . . .	42 11
Wardwell, S. H. . . . .	5 00
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### DUE TO TOWN.

For concrete and curbstones . . . . .	<hr/> <hr/> 27 32
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### Atlantic Avenue Grade.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$50 00
Amount of expenditures . . . . .	50 00

#### EXPENDITURES.

Eastman, Fred H., surveying . . . . .	\$50 00
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### Water Rates.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$750 00
Amount of expenditures . . . . .	\$702 09
Balance unexpended . . . . .	47 91
	<u>\$750 00</u>

#### EXPENDITURES.

Marblehead Water Co.	
water rates for 31 hydrants, 1 year to	
April 1, 1898 . . . . .	20 00
	\$620 00
water rates for 3 drinking fountains,	
1 year to April 1, 1898 . . . . .	25 00
	75 00
	<u>\$695 00</u>
Philbrick & Pope, repairs, etc., on drinking	
fountain . . . . .	7 09
	<u>\$702 09</u>

### Health Department.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$2,000 00
Amount of expenditures . . . . .	\$1,814 83
Balance unexpended . . . . .	185 17
	<u>\$2,000 00</u>

## HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

## EXPENDITURES.

Adams, John I., services as chairman 1 year . . . . .	\$ 75 00
Adams, Wilbur B., secretary board of health 1 year . . . . .	25 00
Brackett, T., labor . . . . .	4 00
Doughty, Willis E., committee 1 year . .	60 00
Douglas, S. F., posting notices . . . . .	4 00
Evans & Cole, labor with team . . . . .	14 00
use of team . . . . .	6 00
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	20 00
Gilley, Richard, labor . . . . .	10 00
Granger, S. G., labor with team . . . . .	15 75
Hammond, Stephen, labor . . . . .	8 00
Hastings & Son's Publishing Co., adver- tising . . . . .	8 68
Holden, Geo. H. & Co., supplies . . . . .	1 00
Horton, Joseph A., labor . . . . .	4 00
Kendrick, R. P., labor . . . . .	3 00
Martin, Gratin, burying carrion . . . . .	5 00
Martin, Peter A., labor . . . . .	9 87
McDonough, Michael, collecting house offal 1 year . . . . .	1,185 00
Neis, Martin, burying carrion . . . . .	50
Nisbett, D. W., labor . . . . .	8 00
Nisbett, J. E. O., fumigating 1 house . .	2 50
Pedrick, B. C., labor . . . . .	186 00
Pettengell, S. J., sundries . . . . .	1 40
Rich, John C., burying dog . . . . .	1 00
Rowe, Allen S., disposal of vault matter .	90 00
Shaw, S. H., labor with team . . . . .	3 50
Small, J. P., paint and labor . . . . .	1 88
Small, W. T., repairs on dory . . . . .	1 25

*Amount carried forward,*

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\$1,734 33

**HEALTH DEPARTMENT.**

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$1,734 33
Thurston, F. D., labor . . . . .	8 00
Whitten & Cass, printing . . . . .	12 50
Wiley, Edwin F., committee 1 year . . .	60 00
	<u>\$1,814 83</u>

**Whales Beach.**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$50 00
Amount of expenditures . . . . .	\$ 4 00
Balance unexpended . . . . .	46 00
	<u>\$50 00</u>

**EXPENDITURES.**

Kennedy, Fred P., labor . . . . .	\$2 00
Martin, Peter A., labor . . . . .	2 00
	<u>\$4 00</u>

**Assessors' Map of Town.**

Appropriation, . . . . .	\$1,600 00
Amount of expenditures, . . . . .	\$625 00
Balance unexpended, . . . . .	975 00
	<u>\$1,600 00</u>

**EXPENDITURES.**

Eastman, Fred. H., labor, surveying, . .	\$600 00
Stimpson, Dan'l P., estate of, services rendered and expense in- curred by Dan'l P. Stimpson as a member of the committee on assess- ors' map . . . . .	25 00
	<u>\$625 00</u>

## Street Light Department.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$7,500 00	
Special appropriation Sept. 30, 1897 . . .	72 00	
Receipts . . . . .	102 62	
Amount overdrawn . . . . .	141 61	
	<hr/>	\$7,816 23
Amount of expenditures . . . . .		\$7,816 23

### EXPENDITURES.

Eagleston, J. V., painting and numbering poles . . . . .		\$ 18 00
Evans & Cole, carriage hire, 2 years . . .		33 50
Lynn Gas and Electric Co., lighting streets 1 year . . . . .	\$7,685 82	
gas used at Burrill street bridge . . .	53 91	
	<hr/>	7,739 73
Norcross, W. Percy, care gas lights at Burrill street bridge 1 year . . . . .		25 00
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		\$7,816 23

### REIMBURSEMENT.

Lynn Gas and Electric Co., for overpayment . . . . .		\$102 62
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## Monument Lot.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$35 00	
Amount overdrawn . . . . .	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$36 50
Amount of expenditures . . . . .		\$36 50

### MONUMENT LOT.

#### EXPENDITURES.

Glass, Joseph W., care of lot . . . . .	\$35 00	
Shattuck & Delano, supplies . . . . .	1 50	
	<u>          </u>	\$36 50

### Memorial Day.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$100 00
Amount of expenditures . . . . .	<u>100 00</u>

#### EXPENDITURES.

Gen. James L. Bates Post No. 118, G. A. R.	\$100 00
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### Park.

Balance March 1, 1897 . . . . .	\$9,866 00	
Receipts . . . . .	586 64	
	<u>          </u>	\$10,452 64
Amount of expenditures . . . . .	\$4,626 02	
Balance unexpended . . . . .	5,826 62	
	<u>          </u>	\$10,452 64

#### EXPENDITURES.

Blanchard, Horace W., services as super- intendent . . . . .	\$459 00	
sundries . . . . .	13 95	
	<u>          </u>	\$472 95
Blanchard, Nathaniel, deed of property .	500 00	
Boston Woven Hose & Rubber Co., hose	12 80	
Bubier & Co., vane . . . . .	18 00	
	<u>          </u>	
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$1,003 75

**PARK.**

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$1,003 75
Crowell, J. F., cash paid for sundries . . .		23 00
Delory, Walter A., stock and labor . . .		10 72
Doane, George H., stock and labor . . .		27 08
Eaton, George E., printing . . . . .		6 50
Gardner, Peleg, balance on contract build- ing fish house . . . . .	250 00	
stock and labor . . . . .	117 85	
		<hr/> 367 85
Jeffers, C. P., supplies . . . . .		5 75
Kehoe, James W., deed of property . . .		500 00
Killam, A. W., copying . . . . .		1 82
Kitfield, E. H., sundries . . . . .		3 00
Knowlton, James A., deed of property . .		1,400 00
Lampard, George H., stock and labor . .		19 02
Lynn Gas & Electric Co., gas . . . . .		60
Marblehead Water Co., water rates . . .		15 00
McDonough, Michael, labor . . . . .		13 00
Paine Furniture Co., table and chairs . .		32 00
Philbrick & Pope, plumbing and supplies		337 32
Potter, Benj., sundries . . . . .		6 54
Redfern, Mary E., deed of property . . .		500 00
Rogers, H. W., plans and specification for fish house . . . . .	100 00	
stone tablet and shelf . . . . .	30 00	
		<hr/> 130 00
Rowell, C. G., stock and labor . . . . .		9 19
Seger, William, services as appraiser . .		2 00
Stimpson, D. P., insurance on fish house		37 50
Thompson, Waldo & Son, insurance on fish house . . . . .		93 90
Titus & Poor, stock and labor per contract		17 50
Tuttle & Edgerly, labor . . . . .		54 87
Wheeler Irving Co., ensigns . . . . .		5 31
Xpedite Engraving Co., engraving . . .		2 80
		<hr/> <hr/> \$4,626 02

**PARK.****RECEIPTS.**

Interest on deposits, . . . . .	\$199 02
Rents, etc. . . . .	387 62
	<u>\$586 64</u>

**Proctor Lot.**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$3,000 00
Amount of expenditures . . . . .	3,000 00

**EXPENDITURES.**

Proctor, Wm. H., deed of land . . . . .	\$3,000 00
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**Police Department.**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$4,500 00
Receipts . . . . .	348 75
Amount overdrawn . . . . .	2 39
	<u>\$4,851 14</u>
Amount of expenditures . . . . .	\$4,851 14

**EXPENDITURES.**

Aborn, S. O., supplies . . . . .	\$ 24 75
Amazeen, Louis F., services . . . . .	1 00
Burdett, M. W., services as police . . . . .	273 14
Burnett, James W., services as police . . . . .	5 00
Carr, Silas B., services as police . . . . .	12 00
Citizens, Law and Order League of Mass. services . . . . .	110 81

*Amount carried forward,*\$426 70



## POLICE DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$426 70
Connor, Geo. M., services as police . . . .		5 38
Crowell, J. B., services as police . . . .	735 00	
sundries . . . . .	40	
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Douglass, Henry E., services as police . .		45 00
Dunlap, Chas. H., services as police . . .	735 00	
sundries . . . . .	2 26	
	<hr/>	737 26
Eaton, S. D., services and expenses as po- lice . . . . .		44 30
Gilley, Richard G., services as police . .		211 00
Glass, Joseph W., services as police . . .		1 75
Goodwin, Frank, services as police . . .		45 00
Hammond, A. S., services as police . . .	780 00	
sundries . . . . .	55	
	<hr/>	780 55
Harris, Samuel T., balance for services as chief of police . . . . .		45 00
Harding, Joseph W. & Co, supplies . . .		26 55
Kain, D. J., services as police . . . . .		12 50
Kendrick, Seth C., services as chief of police . . . . .	784 00	
sundries . . . . .	10 22	
	<hr/>	794 22
Lynn Police Department, wagon . . . .		6 00
Mansfield, P. B. & Co., supplies . . . .		5 00
McNamara, W. C., service . . . . .		1 25
Newhall, George, services as police . . .		23 63
New England Telephone and Telegraph Co., rent and tolls . . . . .		70 80
Oak Hall Clothing Co., supplies . . . .		11 75
Pickard, L. W., services as police . . . .		9 00
Russell, Edmund, use of teams . . . . .		3 50
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		<hr/> \$4,041 54

**POLICE DEPARTMENT.**

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$4,041 54
Spinney, Joseph D., services as police . .		29 00
Whorf, John C., services as police . . .	780 00	
sundries . . . . .	60	
	<hr/>	780 60
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		\$4,851 14

**RECEIPTS.**

Court fines . . . . .	\$115 50	
Jeffries, John . . . . .	12 00	
Little, Arthur . . . . .	10 00	
Lodge, Mrs. . . . .	200 00	
Shepard, John . . . . .	1 25	
Wardwell Brothers . . . . .	4 00	
Amount overpaid and reimbursed . . .	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$348 75

**Town Hall Department.**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$750 00	
Special appropriation Sept. 30, 1897 . .	130 00	
Receipts . . . . .	164 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,044 00
Amount of expenditures . . . . .	\$962 70	
Balance unexpended . . . . .	81 30	
	<hr/>	\$1,044 00

**EXPENDITURES.**

Davey, Thomas & Co., supplies . . . . .	\$8 75
Eastman, E. S., repairs on clocks . . . .	2 00
Forbes, W. F., tuning piano . . . . .	2 00
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$12 75

## TOWN HALL DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$12 75
Getchell, B. T., cleaning vaults and team- ing ashes . . . . .	5 50	
Hall, H. & Son, reseating chairs . . . .	1 95	
Holden, Geo. H. & Co., supplies . . . .	9 25	
Honors, B. O. & Son, fuel . . . . .	128 45	
Lynn Gas and Electric Co., gas . . . .	83 95	
Marblehead Water Co., water rates . . .	10 50	
Moore, Nixon & Co., sundries . . . . .	5 05	
Mott, James A., services as janitor . . .	639 17	
Pettingell, S. J., supplies . . . . .	58	
Philbrick & Pope, stock and labor . . .	19 16	
Phillips & Adams, painting . . . . .	3 00	
setting glass . . . . .	1 50	
	<hr/>	4 50
Poor, O. G., stock and labor . . . . .	9 31	
Power, D. B. H. & Co., supplies . . . .	1 00	
Sampson & Allen, supplies . . . . .	8 25	
Small, J. G., stock and labor . . . . .	8 14	
Till, Geo. T., supplies . . . . .	5 27	
agent, 5 per cent \$164.00 receipts . .	8 20	
	<hr/>	13 47
Titus & Poor, stock and labor . . . . .	72	
Wheeler, I. W. & Co., repairing flag . .	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$962 70

## RECEIPTS.

Receipts from G. T. Till, agent . . . . .	\$164 00
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 Ringing Bell.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$25 00
Amount of expenditures . . . . .	\$15 00
Balance unexpended . . . . .	10 00
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	25 00

## RINGING BELL.

## EXPENDITURES.

Glass, Joseph W., ringing bell and raising flag, one year . . . . .	\$15 00
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## Street Numbering.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$225 00	
Amount overdrawn . . . . .	3 50	
		\$228 50
Amount of expenditures . . . . .		\$228 50

## EXPENDITURES.

Eastman, Fred H., numbering houses as per contract . . . . .	\$100 00
Evans & Cole, use of team . . . . .	3 50
Gordon, H. W., numbers . . . . .	125 00
	\$228 50

## Weights.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$65 00
Amount of expenditures . . . . .	\$52 50
Balance unexpended . . . . .	12 50
	\$65 00

## EXPENDITURES,

Fairbanks Co., The, 10 50-lbs. test weights	\$30 00
Fairbanks Co., The, scales . . . . .	22 50
	\$52 50

## Free Public Library.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$450 00	
Received from County Treasurer, dog tax . . . . .	326 72	
Receipts, fines and catalogues . . . . .	24 60	
	<hr/>	\$801 32
Amount of expenditures . . . . .	\$801 29	
Balance unexpended . . . . .	03	
	<hr/>	<hr/> \$801 32

### EXPENDITURES.

Barnard, F. J., & Co., binding books . . . . .		59 75
Crane, Roy E., ass't librarian 4 months . . . . .		12 00
Ellis, Howard G., ass't librarian 12 months . . . . .		36 00
Estes & Lauriat, books . . . . .		146 46
Farnum, Edith A., ass't librarian 7 months . . . . .		21 00
Guild, W. H. & Co., 1 year's subscription to magazines . . . . .		74 25
Honors, Miss S. L., librarian 1 year . . . . .	200 00	
extra work on catalogues . . . . .	40 00	
	<hr/>	240 00
Metcalf, E. N., books . . . . .		3 84
Nichols, Thos. P., printing . . . . .		198 99
Roberts, C. K. & W. H., expressing . . . . .		6 00
Rogers, Clarence A., ass't librarian 1 month . . . . .		3 00
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## Poor Department.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$3,000 00	
Reimbursements . . . . .	64 34	
Due to town . . . . .	72 09	
	<hr/>	\$3,136 43
Amount of expenditures . . . . .	\$2,922 17	
Balance unexpended . . . . .	214 26	
	<hr/>	<hr/> \$3,136 43

## POOR DEPARTMENT.

## EXPENDITURES.

Abbott, Solomon		
groceries from Shattuck & Delano . . . . .	\$56 40	
fuel from B. O. Honors & Son . . . . .	6 38	
paid Peter A. Martin for watching . . . . .	28 00	
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		\$90 78
Barker, Kate,		
Kate Flynn, board and care . . . . .		144 00
Burnett, Mary		
groceries from G. H. Holden & Co., . . . . .	114 45	
fuel from B. O. Honors & Son . . . . .	42 07	
house rent paid J. M. Lewis . . . . .	36 00	
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		192 52
Brown, Charles E.		
groceries from Mrs. E. C. Stickney . . . . .		10 11
Carroll, M. P., overseer 1 year, chairman . . . . .	100 00	
travelling expenses . . . . .	8 50	
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		108 50
Curtis, T. B. P., overseer 1 year . . . . .		60 00
travelling expenses . . . . .	75	
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		60 75
Crowell, J. F., overseer 1 year . . . . .		60 00
sundries . . . . .	7 25	
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		67 25
Emerson, Mary		
State Alms House, board . . . . .		109 20
Evans & Cole, use of team . . . . .		4 00
Giles, Susan		
groceries from J. L. Caverly . . . . .	52 00	
fuel from B. O. Honors & Son . . . . .	24 91	
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		76 91
Harding, Albert W.,		
State Farm Board . . . . .		109 20
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$973 22

## POOR DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$973. 22
Hatch, Maria		
State Alms House, board . . . . .		109 20
Haven & McGovern, burying infant found on King's beach . . . . .		5 00
Kendrick, L. E., stamps and stationery .	1 04	
Secretary overseers . . . . .	25 00	
	<hr/>	26 04
Kennedy, Annie		
footwear from Milton D. Porter . .	9 40	
clothing from Geo. T. Till . . . . .	6 54	
footwear from Stephen Smart . . .	2 50	
groceries from S. J. Pettingell . . .	118 00	
fuel from B. O. Honors & Son . . .	18 31	
aid from City of Cambridge . . . .	24 68	
	<hr/>	179 43
Kenney, Ellen		
Danvers Lunatic Hospital, board . .		169 48
Kenney, Kate		
Danvers Lunatic Hospital, board . .	29 25	
Medfield Insane Asylum, board . . .	120 80	
	<hr/>	150 05
Lyons, Dennis Jr.,		
clothing from Geo. T. Till . . . . .	26 88	
footwear from Milton D. Porter . . .	2 60	
	<hr/>	29 48
Martin, Gratin		
groceries from Shattuck & Delano .	96 93	
fuel from B. O. Honors & Son . . .	23 00	
	<hr/>	119 93
Martin, William		
Danvers Lunatic Hospital, board . .	83 11	
Medfield Insane Asylum, board . . .	74 40	
	<hr/>	157 51
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$1,919 34



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 POOR DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$1,919 34
Mason, Jesse		
groceries from Alex. Colelough . . . . .	3 90	
groceries from A. L. Pierce . . . . .	1 91	
fuel from B. O. Honors & Son . . . . .	4 50	
	<hr/>	10 31
Myers, Sarah		
Catherine Morrow, rent . . . . .	45 00	
James Harvey, rent . . . . .	15 00	
aid rendered City of Lynn . . . . .	2 00	
	<hr/>	62 00
McMahon, John		
paid S. J. Ryan for burial expenses . . . . .		16 00
Nisbet, Mary Ann		
clothing from G. T. Till . . . . .	4 75	
footwear from M. D. Porter . . . . .	2 45	
	<hr/>	7 20
Pedrick, Benjamin F.		
Danvers Lunatic Hospital, board . . . . .		169 47
Reed, Mary		
groceries from Shattuck & Delano . . . . .	10 93	
fuel from B. O. Honors & Son . . . . .	3 50	
	<hr/>	14 43
Rich, Nathaniel		
paid Park Commissioners, rent in fish		
building . . . . .	5 40	
groceries from Shattuck & Delano . . . . .	58 16	
groceries from S. J. Pettingell . . . . .	8 18	
fuel from B. O. Honors & Son . . . . .	7 28	
	<hr/>	79 02
Richardson, Willie		
paid A. G. Stone, board . . . . .		8 00
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$2,285 77

## POOR DEPARTMENT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$2,285 77
Roderick, Mrs. Charles T.		
paid D. H. Millett, trustee, rent . . .	15 00	
groceries from Shattuck & Delano . . .	18 88	
fuel from B. O. Honors & Son . . .	6 50	
	<hr/>	40 38
Russell, Sarah P.		
Danvers Lunatic Hospital, board . . .		169 45
Ryan, Mrs. Patrick H.		
paid H. B. Libby, rent . . . . .	60 00	
groceries from A. L. Pierce . . . . .	76 52	
groceries from F. A. Tisdale & Co. . .	2 63	
fuel from B. O. Honors & Son . . . .	13 95	
	<hr/>	153 10
Thomas, Mrs. B. B.		
paid G. T. Till, rent . . . . .		84 00
Tufts, Mrs. Annie		
groceries from F. A. Tisdale & Co. . .	2 84	
fuel from B. O. Honors & Son . . . .	4 18	
A. Frost Hunt, M. D., medical services	1 00	
	<hr/>	8 02
Tramp		
A. Frost Hunt, M. D., medical services		1 00
Vaile, Henry E.		
fuel from B. O. Honors & Son . . . .	3 00	
groceries from S. J. Pettingell . . . .	8 00	
	<hr/>	11 00
Welch, Margaret .		
Danvers Lunatic Hospital, board . . .		169 45
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		\$2,922 17

## REIMBURSEMENTS.

Mass., State of, acc't G. H. Kimball . . .	\$14 63	
Mass., State of, acc't Annie Wills . . . .	32 00	
Peabody, Town of, acc't Jesse Mason . . .	17 71	
	<hr/>	\$64 34

## POOR DEPARTMENT.

## DUE FROM

1896-7.

Mass., State of, acc't Issac C. Adams . .	\$ 7 53
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1897-8.

Lynn, City of, acc't C. E. Brown . . . .	10 11
Lynn, City of, acc't Mary Reed . . . . .	14 43
Newburyport, City of, acc't Annie Tufts .	8 02
Mass., State of, acc't infant . . . . .	5 00
Mass., State of, acc't John McMahon . . .	16 00
Mass., State of, acc't H. E. Vaile . . . .	11 00

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\$72 09

## Soldiers' and Sailors' Aid.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$500 00
Reimbursements . . . . .	224 84
Due to Town . . . . .	64 90

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\$789 74

Amount of expenditures . . . . .	631 45
Balance unexpended . . . . .	158 29

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\$789 74

## EXPENDITURES.

Carpenter, Martin	
fuel from B. O. Honors & Son . . . .	\$19 50
Durgin, H.	
groceries from Shattuck & Delano . .	4 14
Gallagher, Mrs. John	
paid Owen Gaffney, rent . . . . .	37 50
paid M. Hurley, rent . . . . .	36 00
fuel from B. O. Honors & Son . . . .	26 22
paid Muir & Thing, moving . . . . .	3 00

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102 72

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*Amount carried forward,*


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\$126 36

## SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' AID.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$126 36
Farrington, Eunice M.		
aid . . . . .	24 00	
groceries from Shattuck & Delano . .	6 78	
fuel from B. O. Honors & Son . . .	6 63	
	<hr/>	37 41
Fowler, Royal		
groceries from F. A. Tisdale & Co. .		67 96
Hicks, Geo. B.		
groceries from Shattuck & Delano . .		73 44
Mason, Mrs. Alpheus B.		
medicine from C. P. Jeffers . . . .	60	
rent paid W. H. Porter . . . . .	20 00	
groceries from J. L. Caverly . . . .	8 30	
fuel from B. O. Honors & Son . . . .	5 88	
paid A. F. Hunt, M.D., medical ser-		
vices . . . . .	5 00	
	<hr/>	39 78
Martin, Eben		
fuel from B. O. Honors & Son . . . .	6 50	
footwear from Stephen Smart . . . .	8 70	
aid . . . . .	15 00	
	<hr/>	30 20
Rich, R. L.		
fuel from B. O. Honors & Son . . . .	3 25	
paid E. A. Mower, funeral expenses .	35 00	
	<hr/>	38 25
Smith, Mrs. Ann		
aid . . . . .		48 00
Symonds, Martha B.		
aid . . . . .		24 00
Wolcott, Sarah		
groceries from Shattuck & Delano . .	25 86	
groceries from F. A. Tisdale & Co. .	78 00	
fuel from B. O. Honors & Son . . . .	32 19	
	<hr/>	136 05
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$621 45

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**SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' AID.**

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$621 45
Wyman, Weston	
paid estate of Abbie P. Porter, house	.
rent . . . . .	10 00
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	\$631 45

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**REIMBURSEMENTS.**

Beverly, City of, acc't Sarah Wolcott . .	\$224 84
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**DUE FROM**

Beverly, City of, acc't Sarah Wolcott . .	29 90
Mass., State of, acc't R. L. Rich . . . .	35 00
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	\$64 90

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**State Aid.**
**CHAPTER 301, ACTS OF 1894.**

Blaney, Elbridge G., aid 12 months . .	72 00
Blaney, Anna V., aid 12 months . . . .	48 00
Carpenter, Martin, aid 12 months . . . .	36 00
Chute, Isabel F., aid 12 months . . . .	48 00
Coan, Harriet, aid 12 months . . . . .	48 00
Connor, George M., aid 12 months . . . .	36 00
Connor, Eliza S., aid 12 months . . . .	36 00
Douglas, Rodney A., aid 12 months . . . .	48 00
Farrington, Eunice M., aid 12 months . .	48 00
Fay, Wm. T., aid 12 months . . . . .	48 00
Fay, Lydia J., aid 7 months . . . . .	28 00
Flanders, Myra W., aid 12 months . . . .	48 00
Gilley, Richard G., aid 12 months . . . .	36 00
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*Amount carried forward,* \$580 00

## STATE AID.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$580 00
Glass, J. W., aid 12 months . . . . .	60 00
Green, Benj. M., aid 7 months . . . . .	28 00
Green, Mehitable, aid 12 months . . . . .	48 00
Haley, Michael, aid 8 months . . . . .	32 00
Harris, Stephen S., aid 12 months . . . . .	72 00
Heath, Hannah M., aid 12 months . . . . .	48 00
Horton, George, aid 10 months . . . . .	40 00
Marsh, Edward Jr., aid 12 months . . . . .	72 00
Marsh, Mary F., aid 12 months . . . . .	48 00
Milan, Bridget, aid 12 months . . . . .	48 00
Millett, Joseph A., aid 12 months . . . . .	48 00
Newhall, George, aid 7 months . . . . .	21 00
Pedrick, Benj. G., aid 12 months . . . . .	48 00
Pierce, Joseph H., aid 12 months . . . . .	72 00
Pierce, Sophia E., aid 12 months . . . . .	48 00
Smith, Charles H., aid 2 months . . . . .	8 00
Spinney, Geo. F., aid 12 months . . . . .	60 00
Stevens, Sarah A., aid 12 months . . . . .	24 00
Stimpson, Susan, aid 12 months . . . . .	48 00
Stocker, Wesley, aid 6 months . . . . .	18 00
Symonds, Martha B., aid 12 months . . . . .	48 00
Umber, Sarah L., aid 12 months . . . . .	48 00
Walcott, Sarah A., aid 12 months . . . . .	48 00
Wardwell, Horace W., aid 2 months . . . . .	8 00
Wiley, Edwin F., aid 11 months . . . . .	54 00
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	\$1,677 00

## REIMBURSEMENT.

State of Mass., aid rendered 1896 . . . . .	\$1,512 00
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## DUE FROM

State of Mass., aid rendered . . . . .	1,673 00
aid rendered, Jan. and Feb., 1898 . . . . .	286 00
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	\$1,959 00

## Military Aid.

### CHAPTER 279, ACTS OF 1894.

Blanchard, Edw. A., aid 12 months . .	\$ 5 00		\$ 60 00
Blaney, Chas. O., aid 12 months . .	10 00		120 00
Horton, Jos. A., aid 12 months . .	8 00		96 00
Marshall, Wesley, aid 2 months . .	8 00	16 00	.
aid 3 months . . . . .	6 00	18 00	
			<u>34 00</u>
Martin, Eben S., aid 12 months . .	8 00		96 00
Martin, Richard, aid 2 months . .	8 00	16 00	.
aid 3 months . . . . .	4 00	12 00	
			<u>28 00</u>
Newhall, Geo , aid 4 months . . .	5 00		20 00
Pedrick, John, aid 12 months . . .	8 00		96 00
Rich, Richard L., aid 5 months . .	5 00		25 00
Wilkins, Geo. W., aid 7 months . .	6 00		42 00
Wyman, Weston, aid 12 months . .	6 00		72 00
			<u>\$689 00</u>

### REIMBURSEMENT.

State of Mass., aid rendered 1896 . . . .	\$296 50
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### DUE FROM

State of Mass., aid rendered 1897 . . . .	\$346 50	
Aid rendered Jan. and Feb. 1898 . . . .	61 00	
		<u>\$407 50</u>

## Cemetery.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$650 00
Amount of expenditures . . . . .	\$640 26	
Balance unexpended . . . . .	9 74	
		<u>\$650 00</u>



**CEMETERY.****EXPENDITURES.**

Blaney, E. G. Jr., plants . . . . .		\$36 00
Brown, J. S., superintendent 2 months . . . . .	58 33	
labor . . . . .	17 00	
	<hr/>	75 33
Getchell, B. F., dressing . . . . .		1 00
Harris, Nathan M., superintendent 10 months . . . . .	291 70	
labor . . . . .	131 50	
	<hr/>	423 20
Hanley, James, labor . . . . .		2 00
Holden, Geo. H. & Co., supplies . . . . .		31 78
Marblehead Water Co., water rates . . . . .		10 00
McDonough, Michael, 2 loads loam . . . . .	2 00	
labor with team . . . . .	3 50	
	<hr/>	5 50
Merrill, G. B. & Co., labor, changing iron post . . . . .		10 10
Proctor, David, labor . . . . .		32 00
Spaulding, E. G., stock and labor . . . . .		5 85
Spinney, J. D., labor . . . . .		5 00
Twisden, Charles H., labor . . . . .		2 50
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		\$640 26

**RECEIPTS.**

Four lots, Nos. 253, 425, 428, 441 . . . . .	\$160 00	
For debris . . . . .	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$162 00

**Street Watering.**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$2,500 00	
Receipts . . . . .	50 00	
Due to town . . . . .	15 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,565 00

**STREET WATERING.**

Amount of expenditures . . . . .	2,215 03	
Balance unexpended . . . . .	349 97	
		<u>\$2,565 00</u>

**EXPENDITURES.**

Cahoon, J. E., labor . . . . .		\$ 4 00
Delory, Walter A, stock and labor . . .		8 47
Evans & Cole, labor with sprinkler . . .		532 50
Fire Department, labor with team . . .		951 25
Granger, S. G., labor with team . . . .		512 50
Kitchin, L. A. & Co., stock and labor . .		20 00
Marblehead Water Co., water rates . . .	150 00	
stock and labor . . . . .	20 13	
		<u>170 13</u>
Philbrick & Pope, stock and labor . . .		16 18
		<u>\$2,215 03</u>

**REIMBURSEMENT.**

Lynn & Boston Railroad, contribution .	\$50 00
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**DUE TO TOWN.**

For watering . . . . .	<u>\$15 00</u>
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**Future Water Supply.**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$1,000 00
Amount of expenditures . . . . .	\$472 95
Balance unexpended . . . . .	527 05
	<u>1,000 00</u>

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FUTURE WATER SUPPLY.

## EXPENDITURES.

Carpenter, Martin, distributing reports .	3 00
Evans & Cole, use of team . . . . .	6 50
Fowler, Royal, distributing reports . . .	3 00
Glass, Joseph W., distributing reports . .	3 00
Hastings & Son's Publishing Co., adver- tising . . . . .	19 20
Kitfield, E. H., sundries . . . . .	8 25
Nichols, G. H. & A. L., printing 1,000 reports . . . . .	72 00
Niles & Carr, legal services . . . . .	350 00
Till, Geo. T., furnishing copy of mortgage Marblehead Water Co. . . . .	5 00
Wiley, Edwin F., distributing reports . .	3 00
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	\$472 95

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## Interest.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$3,800 00	
Interest on treasuref's deposits . . . . .	451 18	
		<u>\$4,251 18</u>
Amount of expenditures . . . . .	\$3,341 23	
Balance unexpended . . . . .	909 95	
		<u><u>\$4,251 18</u></u>

### EXPENDITURES.

1896.

#### *Interest on Notes.*

##### Lynn Institution for Savings.

Mar. 10. No. 100 to 102 inclusive, at 5 per cent., 6 months,  
on \$4,500 . . . . . \$112 50

April 15. No. 103, Mfrs. National Bank disc. \$15,000 . . . . . 243 00

##### Lynn Institution for Savings.

May 2. No. 34, at 4 per cent., 6 months, \$3,000 . . . . . 60 00

##### State of Massachusetts.

May 12. No. 88 to 96 inclusive, at  $3\frac{1}{10}$  per cent., 6 months,  
on \$28,000 . . . . . 504 00

June 1. No. 20, at  $3\frac{1}{2}$  per cent., 6 months, \$1,000 . . . . . 17 50

June 10. No. 104, Mfrs. National Bank disc. \$10,000 . . . . . 150 00

##### State of Massachusetts.

June 25. No. 76 to 83 inclusive, at  $3\frac{1}{2}$  per cent., 6 months, on  
\$8,000 . . . . . 150 00

July 12. No. 69 to 75 inclusive, at  $3\frac{1}{2}$  per cent., 6 months,  
on \$31,500 . . . . . 590 62

Aug. 10. No. 105, Mfrs. National Bank disc. \$5,000 . . . . . 64 60

##### Lynn Institution for Savings.

Aug. 11. No. 54, at  $4\frac{1}{2}$  per cent., 6 months, \$2,250 . . . . . 50 63

Sept. 10. No. 100 to 102 inclusive, at 5 per cent., 6 months,  
on \$4,500 . . . . . 112 50

Nov. 2. No. 34, at 4 per cent, 6 months, \$3,000 . . . . . 60 00

##### State of Massachusetts.

Nov. 12. No. 88 to 96 inclusive, at  $3\frac{1}{10}$  per cent., 6 months,  
on \$28,000 . . . . . 504 00

Dec. 25. No. 77 to 83 inclusive, at  $3\frac{1}{2}$  per cent., 6 months,  
on \$7,000 . . . . . 131 25

1898.

Jan. 12. No. 69 to 75 inclusive, at  $3\frac{1}{2}$  per cent., 6 months,  
on \$31,500 . . . . . 590 3

\$3,341 23

### RECEIPTS.

Interest on treasurer's deposits . . . . . \$451 18

Michael P. Carroll, Collector of Taxes,  
in Acc't Current with Town of Swampscott.

1897.

DR.

To amount committed for collection, as  
per assessors' warrant :

Town tax . . . . .	\$55,987 21	
State tax . . . . .	3,955 00	
County tax . . . . .	5,573 44	
Supplementary list . . . . .	65 20	
	<u>          </u>	\$65,580 85

CR.

By cash paid B. O. Honors, Treasurer . .	\$63,506 83	
Discount, 2 per ct. taxes paid before Oct. 2	973 56	
Abatement of assessors . . . . .	1,035 66	
Due on property advertised 1896 . . . .	64 80	
	<u>          </u>	\$65,580 85

M. P. Carroll, in Acc't with Town of Swampscott.

1898.

DR.

Property advertised for sale 1896 . . . .	\$143 65	
1897 taxes due on property advertised for sale in 1896 . . . . .	64 80	
	<u>          </u>	\$208 45

## Benjamin O. Honors, Treasurer,

DR.

To cash balance in treasury, March 1, 1897 . . . .	\$18,289 29
Cemetery receipts . . . . .	162 00
Concrete and curbstones, reimbursements . . .	387 40
Corporation tax, received from State . . . .	13,331 30
Chemical laboratory loan (see notes) . . . .	2,500 00
Fire department receipts . . . . .	48 36
Highway department receipts . . . . .	6 00
Interest on treasurer's deposits . . . . .	451 18
Kenney, Kate, estate of, by Niles & Carr . . .	494 86
Kenney, Ellen, estate of, by Niles & Carr . . .	53 47
Library, Free Public, receipts and dog tax . . .	351 32
Military aid reimbursed by State . . . . .	296 50
Milk inspector, Chas. E. Harris . . . . .	12 50
National Bank tax, received from State . . . .	2,472 72
Park receipts . . . . .	387 62
Poor department reimbursements . . . . .	64 34
Police department receipts . . . . .	348 75
Proctor lot loan (see notes) . . . . .	3,000 00
Sealer of weights and measures, B. A. Martin 1896-97 . . . . .	56
Sealer of weights and measures, G. W. Harris 1897-98 . . . . .	29 49
School department receipts . . . . .	87 24
Soldiers' and sailors' aid, reimbursements . . .	224 84
State aid, reimbursed by State . . . . .	1,512 00
Street crossings by B. & M. R. R. . . . .	94 41
Street watering by L. & B. R. R. . . . .	50 00
Street lights, Lynn Gas and Elec. Co. . . . .	102 62
Temporary loans . . . . .	30,000 00
Tax collector, M. P. Carroll . . . . .	63,506 83
Taxes 1895-6 . . . . .	144 35
Town hall receipts . . . . .	164 00
Miscellaneous receipts:	
licenses . . . . .	26 00
J. C. Bennett, use of road roller reimbursement by State for burial indigent soldiers and sailors . . . . .	2 50
	35 00
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	63 50
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	\$138,637 45

# in Acc't Current with Town of Swampscott.

CR.

By County tax, 1897 . . . . .		\$5,573 44
Interest on notes payable . . .		3,341 23
Account of notes paid:		
Jan. 1, 1897, culvert loan note		
No. 20 . . . . .	\$1,000 00	
Jan. 25, 1897, Phillips school		
note No. 76 . . . . .	1,000 00	
Aug. 11, 1897, engine house		
note No. 54 . . . . .	2,250 00	
Sept. 10, 1897, King street		
note No. 100 . . . . .	2,000 00	
Oct. 15, 1897, temporary loan		
note . . . . .	15,000 00	
Nov. 12, 1897, park loan note		
No. 88 . . . . .	2,000 00	
Dec. 10, 1897, temporary loan		
note . . . . .	10,000 00	
Jan. 10, 1898, temporary loan		
note . . . . .	5,000 00	
Jan. 12, 1898, Phillips school		
note No. 69 . . . . .	4,500 00	
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		42,750 00
State tax, 1897 . . . . .		3,955 00
Selectmen's orders, 1897-8 .		73,654 11
Paid outstanding orders, 1896		167 54
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		\$129,441 32
Balance in hands of Treasurer,		
March 1, 1898:		
	* *	9,196 13
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		\$138,637 45
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\* This includes the Park balance.

\*\* Certified by Cashier's certificate.



**Assessors' Valuation of the Town of Swampscott,  
May 1, 1897.**

Buildings, excluding land . . . . .	\$2,254,500 00	
Land, excluding buildings . . . . .	1,743,475 00	
Total value of real estate: . . . . .		\$3,997,975 00
Personal estate . . . . .		1,304,163 00
Total valuation . . . . .		<u>\$5,302,138 00</u>
Number of polls . . . . .		945
Tax on each poll . . . . .		\$2 00
Rate of taxation . . . . .	\$12 00 on \$1,000 00	
Tax on polls . . . . .	\$1,890 00	
Tax on personal estate . . . . .	15,649 95	
Tax on real estate . . . . .	47,975 70	
Total tax, polls, personal, real estate . . . . .		<u>\$65,515 65</u>
State tax . . . . .	\$3,955 00	
County tax . . . . .	5,573 44	
Town tax . . . . .	55,987 21	
Total tax for State, County and Town . . . . .		<u>\$65,515 65</u>
Number of residents assessed on property . . . . .		625
Number of non-residents assessed on property . . . . .		242
Firms and corporations . . . . .		<u>36</u>
Number of persons assessed on property . . . . .		903
Number of persons assessed on poll tax only . . . . .		<u>512</u>
Total number of taxes assessed . . . . .		1415
Number of dwelling houses . . . . .		955
Number acres of land . . . . .		1450
Number of horses . . . . .		298
Number of swine . . . . .		100
Number of cows . . . . .		78
Number of neat cattle, other than cows . . . . .		1

## Recapitulation.

	Appropriations and receipts.	Expend tures.
Assessor's Map . . . . .	\$1,600 00	\$625 00
Atlantic Grade . . . . .	50 00	50 00
Catch Basins and Gutters . . . . .	500 00	177 15
Cemetery . . . . .	650 00	640 26
Chemical Laboratory . . . . .	2,500 00	2,500 07
Concrete & Curbstones [Appropriation, \$500 00 } Receipts, 387 40 }	887 40	916 85
Engine House Repairs . . . . .	350 00	345 32
Essex Street Fence . . . . .	250 00	246 37
Fire Alarm Box . . . . .	100 00	80 00
Fire Department . . [Appropriation, \$5,000 00 } Receipts, 1,085 86 }	6,085 86	6,341 81
Fire Ladders . . . . .	255 00	252 50
Health Department . . . . .	2,000 00	1,814 83
Highway Department [Appropriation, \$5,500 00 } Receipts, 6 00 }	5,506 00	5,669 63
Hose House . . . . .	250 00	227 16
Humphrey Street Drain . . . . .	650 00	674 03
King.St. Extension . [Bal. appro., Mar. 1, 1897 }	240 87	83 99
Library Dept. . . [Appropriation, \$450 00 } Receipts and dog tax, 351 32 }	801 32	801 29
Memorial Day . . . . .	100 00	100 00
Military Aid . . . . .	296 50	689 00
Monument Lot, care of . . . . .	35 00	36 50
Park . . . . . [Bal. appro., 1897, \$9,866 00 } Receipts, 586 64 }	10,452 64	4,626 02
Police Department . [Appropriation, \$4,500 00 } Receipts, 348 75 }	4,848 75	4,851 14
Poor Department . [Appropriation, \$3,000 00 } Receipts, 64 34 }	3,064 34	2,922 17
Proctor Lot . . . . .	3,000 00	3,000 00
Redington Street Ledge . . . . .	550 00	573 77
Ringing Bell . . . . .	25 00	15 00
<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$45,048 68	\$38,259 86

## RECAPITULATION.

	Appropriations and receipts.	Expenditures.
<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$45,048 68	\$38,259 86
School Department . [Appropriation, \$16,000 00 } Receipts, 87 24 }	16,087 24	15,656 26
Selectmen's Department . . . . .	4,500 00	4,652 34
Sidewalk Department . . . . .	1,000 00	914 82
Soldiers' and Sailors' Aid [Approp. \$500 00 } Receipts, 224 84 }	724 84	631 45
Street Light . . . . [Appropriation, \$7,572 00 } Receipts, 102 62 }	7,674 62	7,816 23
Street Crossings . . [Appropriation, \$600 00 } Receipts, 94 41 }	694 41	537 05
Street Numbering . . . . .	225 00	228 50
Street Watering . . [Appropriation, \$2,500 00 } Receipts, 50 00 }	2,550 00	2,215 03
State Aid . . . . .	1,512 00	1,677 00
Town Hall Dept. . . [Appropriation, \$380 00 } Receipts, 164 00 }	1,044 00	962 70
Water Rates . . . . .	750 00	702 09
Water Supply Committee . . . . .	1,000 00	472 95
Weights . . . . .	65 00	52 50
Whales Beach . . . . .	50 00	4 00
		<hr/> \$74,782 78
Less Fire Department Credit . . . . .		1,037 50
		<hr/> \$73,745 28
Net am't of Selectmen's orders drawn		91 17
Less Selectmen's outstanding orders .		<hr/>
Net am't of orders paid by Treasurer		\$73,654 11
County Tax (estimated) . . . . .	5,500 00	5,573 44
Interest . . . . . [Appropriation, \$3,800 00 } Receipts, 451 18 }	4,251 18	3,341 23
Notes paid . . . . .	30,000 00	42,750 00
State Tax (estimated) . . . . .	4,500 00	3,955 00
Outstanding orders of 1895-6 paid .	<hr/>	167 54
Am't of appropriations and receipts .	\$127,176 97	<hr/>
Net am't of Treasurer's disbursements		<hr/> \$129,441 32

## Statistics of the Town of Swampscott, 1866-1898.

ASSESSORS' VALUATION MAY 1.					MARCH 1.	
YEAR	REAL ESTATE	PERSONAL PROPERTY	TOTAL VALUATION	RATE TAXES PER	YEAR	NOTES PAYABLE
1897	\$3,997,975	\$1,304,163	\$5,302,138	\$12.00	1898	\$71,000.00
1896	3,896,059	1,245,245	5,141,304	12.00	1897	78,250.00
1895	3,756,900	1,444,947	5,201,847	12.00	1896	84,500.00
1894	3,619,525	1,529,675	5,149,200	11.00	1895	66,333.30
1893	3,439,975	1,649,953	5,089,928	11.00	1894	71,166.66
1892	3,271,279	1,504,170	4,775,449	10.00	1893	37,499.99
1891	3,122,350	1,771,373	4,893,723	10.00	1892	42,333.32
1890	3,001,550	1,857,777	4,859,327	10.00	1891	48,666.66
1889	2,585,431	1,453,301	4,038,732	8.40	1890	52,500.00
1888	2,465,256	1,501,536	3,966,792	8.50	1889	56,000.00
1887	2,417,556	1,288,498	3,706,054	8.00	1888	57,500.00
1886	2,383,055	1,275,405	3,658,460	9.50	1887	55,500.00
1885	2,365,280	1,130,863	3,496,143	9.00	1886	47,500.00
1884	2,371,610	1,135,215	3,506,825	11.00	1885	49,000.00
1883	2,259,855	1,589,566	3,849,411	8.50	1884	50,500.00
1882	2,228,330	1,264,938	3,493,268	6.00	1883	49,000.00
1881	2,121,080	807,159	2,928,239	7.20	1882	30,500.00
1880	1,991,880	1,133,247	3,125,127	7.00	1881	31,750.00
1879	1,930,205	418,904	2,349,109	8.30	1880	39,424.80
1878	2,049,980	384,841	2,434,821	8.00	1879	42,424.00
1877	2,041,935	340,323	2,382,258	8.50	1878	42,424.80
1876	2,108,462	360,961	2,469,423	12.00	1877	45,524.80
1875	2,074,850	389,441	2,464,291	10.00	1876	50,224.80
1874	2,028,875	457,260	2,486,135	11.00	1875	51,432.80
1873	1,949,225	460,867	2,410,792	12.00	1874	50,342.80
1872	1,854,750	578,000	2,432,750	9.50	1873	47,068.00
1871	1,598,800	504,073	2,102,873	9.50	1872	43,150.00
1870	1,334,570	508,564	1,843,134	10.00	1871	38,745.00
1869	1,244,120	313,711	1,557,834	11.20	1870	31,545.00
1868	1,141,020	347,173	1,488,193	11.50	1869	33,745.00
1867	1,124,670	268,675	1,393,345	13.50	1868	37,745.00
1866	972,120	249,289	1,221,409	12.00	1867	31,945.00

## Notes Payable.

Date of Note.	No.	To whom payable.	Amount.	Class	Time.	Rate	When payable.
						%	
May 2, '88	34	Lynn Ins't Sav'gs	3,000 00	C	10 yrs.	4	May 2, 1898
Jan. 12, '94	70	State of Mass.	4,500 00	A	5 yrs.	$3\frac{3}{4}$	Jan. 12, 1899
Jan. 12, '94	71	State of Mass.	4,500 00	A	6 yrs.	$3\frac{3}{4}$	Jan. 12, 1900
Jan. 12, '94	72	State of Mass.	4,500 00	A	7 yrs.	$3\frac{3}{4}$	Jan. 12, 1901
Jan. 12, '94	73	State of Mass.	4,500 00	A	8 yrs.	$3\frac{3}{4}$	Jan. 12, 1902
Jan. 12, '94	74	State of Mass.	4,500 00	A	9 yrs.	$3\frac{3}{4}$	Jan. 12, 1903
Jan. 12, '94	75	State of Mass.	4,500 00	A	10 yrs.	$3\frac{3}{4}$	Jan. 12, 1904
June 25, '94	77	State of Mass.	1,000 00	A	4 yrs.	$3\frac{3}{4}$	June 25, 1898
June 25, '94	78	State of Mass.	1,000 00	A	5 yrs.	$3\frac{3}{4}$	June 25, 1899
June 25, '94	79	State of Mass.	1,000 00	A	6 yrs.	$3\frac{3}{4}$	June 25, 1900
June 25, '94	80	State of Mass.	1,000 00	A	7 yrs.	$3\frac{3}{4}$	June 25, 1901
June 25, '94	81	State of Mass.	1,000 00	A	8 yrs.	$3\frac{3}{4}$	June 25, 1902
June 25, '94	82	State of Mass.	1,000 00	A	9 yrs.	$3\frac{3}{4}$	June 25, 1903
June 25, '94	83	State of Mass.	1,000 00	A	10 yrs.	$3\frac{3}{4}$	June 25, 1904
Nov. 12, '95	89	State of Mass.	2,000 00	B	3 yrs.	3 1 0 1 0 1 0	Nov. 12, 1898
Nov. 12, '95	90	State of Mass.	2,000 00	B	4 yrs.		Nov. 12, 1899
Nov. 12, '95	91	State of Mass.	2,000 00	B	5 yrs.		Nov. 12, 1900
Nov. 12, '95	92	State of Mass.	4,000 00	B	6 yrs.		Nov. 12, 1901
Nov. 12, '95	93	State of Mass.	4,000 00	B	7 yrs.		Nov. 12, 1902
Nov. 12, '95	94	State of Mass.	4,000 00	B	8 yrs.		Nov. 12, 1903
Nov. 12, '95	95	State of Mass.	4,000 00	B	9 yrs.		Nov. 12, 1904
Nov. 12, '95	96	State of Mass.	4,000 00	B	10 yrs.		Nov. 12, 1905
Sept. 10, '96	101	Lynn Ins't Sav'gs	1,500 00	D	2 yrs.	5	Sept. 10, 1898
Sept. 10, '96	102	Lynn Ins't Sav'gs	1,000 00	D	3 yrs.	5	Sept. 10, 1899
July 30, '97	105	Lynn Ins't Sav'gs	3,000 00	E	10 yrs.	$3\frac{3}{4}$	July 30, 1907
Sept. 24, '97	106	Lynn Ins't Sav'gs	2,500 00	F	8 yrs.	4	Sept. 24, 1905
Total, \$71,000 00							

A, Phillips' School Loan.  
 B, Park Loan.  
 C, Monument Loan.

D, King Street Loan.  
 E, Proctor Lot.  
 F, Chemical Laboratory.

Financial Standing of the Town of Swampscott,  
March 1, 1898.

## RESOURCES.

Cash in hands of Treasurer . . . . .	\$9,196 13	
Due from Concrete and Curbstones . . . . .	27 32	
“ Poor Department . . . . .	72 09	
“ Soldiers' and Sailors' Aid . . . . .	64 90	
“ State Aid . . . . .	1,959 00	
“ Military Aid . . . . .	407 50	
“ Street Watering . . . . .	15 00	
“ Taxes on advertised property . . . . .	208 45	
Schedule of Public Property . . . . .	184,734 00	
		<u>\$196,684 39</u>

## LIABILITIES.

Notes Payable { 1898 Monument Loan . . . . .	\$3,000 00	
“ “ { 1898 Phillips School Loan . . . . .	1,000 00	
“ “ { 1898 Park Loan . . . . .	2,000 00	
“ “ { 1898 King Street Loan . . . . .	1,500 00	7,500 00
“ “ { 1899 Phillips School Loan . . . . .	5,500 00	
“ “ { 1899 Park Loan . . . . .	2,000 00	
“ “ { 1899 King Street Loan . . . . .	1,000 00	8,500 00
“ “ { 1900 Phillips School Loan . . . . .	5,500 00	
“ “ { 1900 Park Loan . . . . .	2,000 00	7,500 00
“ “ { 1901 Phillips School Loan . . . . .	5,500 00	
“ “ { 1901 Park Loan . . . . .	4,000 00	9,500 00
“ “ { 1902 Phillips School Loan . . . . .	5,500 00	
“ “ { 19 2 Park Loan . . . . .	4,000 00	9,500 00
“ “ { 1903 Phillips School Loan . . . . .	5,500 00	
“ “ { 1903 Park Loan . . . . .	4,000 00	9,500 00
“ “ { 1904 Phillips School Loan . . . . .	5,500 00	
“ “ { 1904 Park Loan . . . . .	4,000 00	9,500 00
“ “ { 1905 Park Loan . . . . .	4,000 00	
“ “ { 1905 Chemical Laboratory . . . . .	2,500 00	6,500 00
“ “ { 1907 Proctor Lot . . . . .	3,000 00	3,000 00
		<u>\$71,000 00</u>



## Auditors' Remarks.

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*To the Citizens of Swampscott:*

We herewith present for your consideration the forty-sixth Annual Report of the Town, for the fiscal year ending February 28, 1898.

The accounts of the several departments have been carefully examined and found to be correct and proper vouchers on file for payments made.

The Treasurer's accounts have been audited quarterly and we have on file bank cashiers' certificates of deposits from National Security Bank, Lynn, and Manufacturers' National Bank, Boston, for balance of each quarter's auditing.

The items of receipts can be found by referring to the different departments as they appear in the Treasurer's account.

Respectfully submitted,

JAY C. MERRITT, EDWARD A. MAXFIELD, HERMAN F. ASHTON.	}	<i>Auditors.</i>
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## Town Warrant, 1898.

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ESSEX, ss.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Swampscott, in  
said County, Greeting:*

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Swampscott qualified to vote in elections, and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Swampscott, on Monday, the Twenty-first day of March, current, at Six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following Articles, viz :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

ART. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for one (1) year.

To choose a Board of Selectmen for the year ensuing.

To choose one member of the Board of Assessors for three (3) years.

To choose a Town Treasurer for one (1) year.

To choose a Collector of Taxes for the year ensuing.

To choose one member of the School Committee for three (3) years.

To choose one member of the Board of Trustees of the Public Library for three (3) years.

To choose a Board of Auditors for the year ensuing.

To choose one Overseer of the Poor for three (3) years.

To choose one member of the Board of Health for three (3) years.

To choose a Surveyor of Highways for the year ensuing.

To choose three Constables for the year ensuing.

To choose a Park Commissioner for three (3) years.

All to be chosen on one ballot.

ART. 3. To vote by ballot "Yes" or "No" upon the question: Shall licenses be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in this Town?

ART. 4. To hear and act upon the reports of the Auditing Committee, the Board of Selectmen, the School Committee, the Board of Trustees of the Public Library, the Engineers of the Fire Department, the Superintendent of the Cemetery, the Board of Health, the Chief of Police, the Milk Inspector, the Committee on Street Lights, the Committee on Future Water Supply, the Committee on Assessors' Plans, the Committee on Cemetery Improvement, the Surveyor of Highways, the Inspector of Cattle, Provisions, etc., the Committee on Sewerage, and the Park Commissioners.

ART. 5. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations therefor.

ART. 6. To see if the Town will accept the list of names for Jurors as prepared and posted by the Selectmen.

ART. 7. To see what amount of bonds will be required of the Town Treasurer for the current year.

ART. 8. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

ART. 9. To see what amount of bonds will be required of the Collector of Taxes for the year ensuing.

ART. 10. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the collection of taxes, and what rate of discount if any, will be allowed for prompt payment on or before a certain date.

ART. 11. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of one hundred and twenty-five (\$125) dollars, to be placed in the hands of James L. Bates Post 118, G. A. R., towards defraying the expenses of Memorial Day.

ART. 12. To hear and act upon the report of the committee on future water supply. To see if the Town will purchase all the property, privileges and franchise of the Marblehead Water Company, and pay therefor the sum of ninety-four thousand (\$94,000.00) dollars, according to the proposal of said Company to sell to said Town, and to act upon any other matter requisite to enable the Town to acquire said property. To see if the Town will appropriate ninety-four thousand (\$94,000.00) dollars to pay for the property of the Marblehead Water Company, and if so, to authorize the Town Treasurer to borrow said sum on the bonds of the Town; to fix the time of payment of such bonds; and to act upon any and all other matters necessary to enable the Town to borrow said sum. To see if the Town will establish a Water Board, and if so to elect persons to constitute the same.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will authorize the laying of an 8 inch water pipe on Humphrey street, connecting with pipes at Phillips Corner, so called, and at Salem Street, and the placing of three hydrants thereon at such points as may be deemed expedient and appropriate money therefor, as petitioned for.

ART. 14. To see if the Town will appropriate a sufficient sum of money to place a fire alarm striker on the Hase House at Mountain Park and appropriate money for the same as petitioned for.

ART. 15. To see if the Town will vote not to publish the names of those who are assisted through Poor, Soldiers' and

Sailors' Aid, State and Military Aid Departments, as petitioned for.

ART. 16. To see what action the Town will take toward placing a Fire Alarm Box at the junction of Stetson and Franklin Avenues and appropriate \$150 for the same, as petitioned for.

ART. 17. To see what action the Town will take in relation to building a sidewalk on Essex street, opposite the Cemetery, from the corner of Belmont Avenue and Essex Street to the estate of Martin Nies, and make an appropriation for the same, as petitioned for.

ART. 18. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the collection of ashes and rubbish during the ensuing year and appropriate money for the same as petitioned for.

ART. 19. To see if the Town will vote to place an arc light at the corner of King and Greenwood Streets, opposite the Phillips School Building, as petitioned for.

ART. 20. To see what action the Town will take in regard to our electric lights burning until daylight and appropriate money for the same as petitioned for.

ART. 21. To see if the Town will vote to build the following Street Crossings and appropriate money for the same as petitioned for, viz: across Columbia Street at Maple Avenue; across Claremont Terrace at Burrill Street; across Rock Avenue at Burrill Street; across Danvers Street at Essex Street; across Burrill Street near estate of Geo. Pecker; across Humphrey Street at Cliffside Avenue.

ART. 22. To see if the Town will vote to accept Pleasant Street as laid out by the Selectmen and appropriate money to build the same as petitioned for.

ART. 23. To see if the Town will vote to accept Norfolk and Middlesex Avenues as laid out by the Selectmen of 1896-7.

ART. 24. To see if the Town will vote to accept Hampden and Berkshire Streets as laid out by the Selectmen.

ART. 25. To see if the Town will vote to accept Monument Avenue, Elmwood Road, Thomas Road, Andrew and Farragut Roads as laid out by the Selectmen.

ART. 26. To see if the Town will vote to accept Crescent and Elliott Streets as laid out by the Selectmen and appropriate money to build the same as petitioned for.

ART. 27. To see if the Town will appropriate money to improve the lot of land recently purchased adjacent to Town Hall.

ART. 28. To see what action the Town will take in regard to laying a drain pipe from the brook on Columbia Street to Burrell, thence to Essex, thence to the culvert beyond the property of E. R. Golder, and appropriate money for same, as petitioned for.

ART. 29. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a Chemical Fire Engine, to be stationed at Phillips Beach, and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 30. To see if the Town will furnish a safe for the Collector of Taxes and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 31. To decide what sum of money shall be appropriated for the administration and improvement of the Beach Reservations.

ART. 32. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$50, to be expended under direction of the Board of Health, for the removal of rubbish which may be washed up on Whales Beach, during the coming season.

The Polls to be closed at 4.30 o'clock P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Depots, Post Offices, and three other public and conspicuous places in the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant,

with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands, this ninth day of March, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety eight.

WILMOT R. HASTINGS,	{	<i>Selectmen</i>
JAMES H. MOULTON,		<i>of</i>
GEORGE T. MELZARD,		<i>Swampscott.</i>

A true copy. Attest :

RICHARD G. GILLEY, *Constable.*





